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# IRA bomb campaign foiled

# Man shot dead in swoop on terrorists

By Stewart Tendler, Richard Ford and Michael Horsnell

IRA plans to devastate London with massive lorry bombs were foiled yesterday when armed police found ten tons of explosive during raids in which a suspected terrorist was shot dead and five others arrested.

The explosives, two lorries, arms and other bomb-making materials were found in a north London warehouse which could have been used as a "one-stop shop" to equip IRA units for a variety of attacks in the run-up to the general election. Officers believe that the first could have been planned for today.

The man who died was shot when police broke into a Hammersmith guest house at 4.30 am; two other men were arrested there and two more were held in simultaneous raids on other addresses in west London. A fifth was arrested as he carne off his shift as a British Airways engineer at Gatwick.

Assistant Commissioner David Veness, the head of Scotland Yard's specialist operations, said that the home-made explosives were virtually ready for use and would probably have been used to make large lorry

Abacus Storage Homsey Vale IRA bomb and arms cache

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bombs such as those used in the attacks on Manchester and Canary Wharf earlier this year. Another senior officer said that the arms cache — the second biggest found in either Great Britain or Ireland suggested that the IRA was planning a prolonged mainland cam-paign which would have been flexible and unpredictable.

John Major, who spent 15 minutes talking to his Irish counterpart John Bruton about the find and the arrests, said that he was absolutely delighted by the recovery of so much weaponry. But he said it again put a question mark over the paramil-itaries' commitment to the faltering peace process.

"The discovery of these plans and the huge stocks of explosives and arms put in their proper context professions of peaceful intentions by Sinn Fein's leaders and speculation about a new IRA ceasefire," the Prime Minister said. "It remains impossible to reconcile Sinn Fein's rhetoric for peace with teh IRA's preparations for murder."

Gerry Adams, the Sinn Pein

president, expressed regret at the death of one of the suspects and blamed Britain's handling of the peace process for renewed IRA violence IRA. He all but ruled out hopes of another truce and said: "This incident underlines the seriousness of the situation. We have lived with a political vacuum for some time and that is entirely

dangerous." Three of the men under arrest last night were said to be English and two to have come from Northern ireland, although all had irish backgrounds. Sources in London and Dublin said that three of them were known as Brian McHugh, James Murphy and Patrick Kelly; the airline engineer was named as Mick Phillips.

The man shot at the Premier West uest house in Glenthorne Road, Hammersmith, was treated at the scene by paramedics, but died in intensive care at Charing Cross Hospital. The Police Complaints Authority will supervise the investigation into his death.

One of the houses raided yesterday - 28 Averili Street in Fulham was bought for cash two weeks after the IRA declared its 1994 ceasefire.

The arms cache was found in a secure steel room in a warehouse on Cranford Way in Hornsey Vale. Besides the ten tons of home-made explosive, the haul included 2lb of Semtex military explosive, 13 assorted timers, detonators, two booby-traps with magnets for use as car bombs, three Kalashnikov AK47 assault rifles. two handeups and ammunition. The lorries were ready to transport huge devices, probably within the London area as the bombers would not have wanted to drive far.

The space at the Abacus Self Storage depot was rented out to the terrorists, posing as a transport firm, about four or five months ago. The men, who spoke with English accents, provided identification but were not asked for references. Robin Greenwood of Abacus said: "We shall be looking at ways to tighten security."

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The shot IRA suspect staggered and collapsed on the steps of a guest house in west London

#### Security review as Gatwick engineer is held

BY HARVEY ELLIOTT AIR CORRESPONDENT

ONE of the five arrested men was a 21-year-old newly qualified engineer at Gatwick Airport. The man, named by colleagues as Mick Phillips, was detained at 4.30am as he drove towards the exit at the end of a night shift.

Along with dozens of other A-level students from Northern ireland schools, he had, at 18, applied for an aircraft engineering apprenticeship. His application had been accompanied by three references and he was interviewed by senior British Airways engineers and managers.

His headmaster and the two other referees were interviewed by police.

Once he had security clearance, he was given a BA pass which was submitted to BAA, the aiport operator at Gatwick, for approval and to obtain an "airside" pass.

A second round of checks and detailed interviews with at least one of the referees was undertaken, but the pass was штеа а okiy and ne degan his course. He moved into a rented flat in Crawley, bought a small car and each day drove along the perimeter fence and into the engineering training unit.

He was so quick to learn that he rose rapidly to near the top in his class, becoming proficient in handling engines, electronics and hydraulics.

This summer he graduated with some of the best marks of the year and was awarded a licence as a fully qualified engineer. After a few weeks holidaying in Ireland he re-turned to Gatwick and this month received his first pay

The Department of Transport, responsible for drawing up guidelines for ensuring anyone who works near aircraft gets a strict security check, is reviewing the rules.

## Lamour dies at 81

Dorothy Lamour, the actress best remembered for her performances in the Road films, has died aged 81.

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# Thatcher 'lost faith in Major in only 22 days'

By PHILLIP WEBSTER POLITICAL EDITOR

MARGARET THATCHER became disillusioned with John Major within 22 days of his becoming Prime discloses today.

Then, two and a half years later, when apparently she had still not come to terms with losing office, she suggested that the Tory party should no longer call itself "Conservative" because that failed to convey the dynamism of the changes she had brought about

The new revelations about Baroness Thatcher's feelings in the years after her removal from power are contained in George Urban's book Diplomacy and Disillusion at the Court of Margaret Thatcher, which is being serialised in The Times. It discloses that on December 19, 1990, Lady Thatcher was already deeply critical of the tone and direction of Mr Major's new administration. He had taken over at Downing Street 22 days before. In the previous three weeks he had sent Michael Heseltine, Lady Thatch-

er's arch-enemy, to the Environment

Department to ditch the community

charge, or poll tax, in which she had

invested so much of her authority. In

the European Community the new

Prime Minister had dropped her

confrontational style and was sending out signals that he wanted Britain to be at the heart of Europe. In the Cabinet, he had adopted a collegiate style, alien to Lady Thatcher in her

A sense of betrayal already seemed to have affected her. Mr Urban records her as having said when she went to lunch at the Centre for Policy Studies: "The new Government, well, I think they have embarked on a course of great danger. It is quite clear already that they want to undo many of the things we have accomplished. and there is no telling where that might take them. All the wrong people are rejoicing. That's a sure indication

that they are walking down the wrong

Later, he records her as having voiced concern that Britain under Mr Major was losing its way in the world. Well, you realise, George, don't you, that it is the European involvement that is, above all other things, dragging Britain down? It is our participa-

tion in that unholy mess. She also tells him that "Conservative" is no longer the right name for the Tories: "It's directly misleading. We are not a 'conservative' party; we are a party of innovation, of striking out in new directions."

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## Clarke rocks the boat

By Philip Webster and Andrew Pierce

THE Prime Minister was last night reported to be exasperated over Kenneth Clarke's departure from the agreed Cabinet line on the European

single currency.

Mr Clarke was felt to have abused his near-unassailable position in the Government and to have breached an agreement which the Cabinet Euro-sceptics have observed. A growing number of right-

wing MPs are suggesting that Mr Major could now afford to sacrifice Mr Clarke in the interests of pushing through a

change of policy. However, Downing Street and Conservative Central Office believe that if Mr Clarke left the Government, other pro-European ministers would follow him into exile and the split would ruin any chances of a Tory recovery. An influential party figure said yesterday: "It would not just be Clarke. There would be five or six

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# IRA arrests: new level of co-operation between MI5 and police pays dividends

# Vital piece of intelligence led to cache of explosives

ONE of the biggest joint police tions, which led to yesterday's arrest of IRA suspects and the discovery of ten tonnes of explosives, began after a vital piece of intelligence was uncovered by the security

Although the police and MI5 were aware of the high risk of a revenge terrorist attack after a series of IRA disasters in the past few was needed to focus the efforts of the security authorities. The quality of the intelligence breakthrough, only two months after another covert operation which also led to the arrest of IRA suspects and bomb-making material, will leave the terrorist hierarchy in Belfast and Dublin in turmoil.

One security source said that the successful police and MI5 operations during the past two months would have had an accumulative affect on the IRA organisation. The IRA eodfathers will be wondering if they have a highly-placed informant in their midst or if the security authorities have breached their normally impenetrable method of communicating inside their network of bombers, quartermasters and logistics specialists.

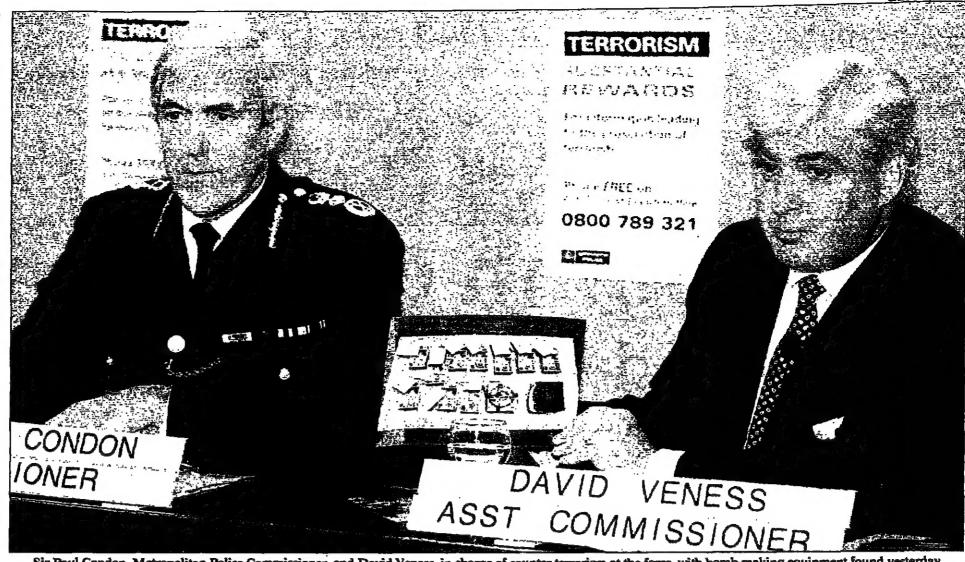
Security sources admitted

bombing could have tied up hundreds of police and MIS watchers for months without pinning down the IRA unit preparing the attack.

However, several ago, the various strands of an intelligence picture came together when specific information was uncovered. MI5 and the police were then able to mount a focused surveillance operation. "Today's raids did not come about as a result of us stumbling on information," one source said.

The breakthrough has been made possible by a new level of co-operation between MI5 and the police which has been transformed since the Security Service took over as the lead agency on the mainland for intelligence-gathering against

After the achievements of Dame Stella Rimington, the former Director-General of MI5, in forging more effective co-operation with the police in mainland counter-terrorist operations, her successor, Stephen Lander, has continued to win friends among doubting police officers who originally felt the Security Service was encroaching on their territory. One security source said: Turf battles in the past have been unhelpful."



Sir Paul Condon, Metropolitan Police Commissioner, and David Veness, in charge of counter terrorism at the force, with bomb-making equipment found yesterday

cementing the relationship between Scotland Yard's Anti-Terrorist Branch, the Metropolitan Police Special Branch and MI5. They are Commander John Grieve; head of the Anti-Terrorist Branch, and Assistant Commissioner David Veness, in charge of specialist operations at the Met, including counter-

terrorism.

indicating for some time that the improved working relationship between MI5 and the police was paying dividends. Yesterday's success was a classic case where specific intelligence backed by a huge police operation in London, Surrey and Yorkshire, saved the capital from what would have been a devastating ter-rorist attack. "Co-operation is the name of the game," one

covery of booby trap devices also indicated that the IRA was planning to assassinate individuals on their hit list. It is believed that 20 to 30 people, including certain Cabinet Ministers and senior civil servants linked to the Government's Northern Ireland policy decisions, are being given round-the-clock protection by armed officers.

bodyguards were

Edward O'Brien died when a bomb he was carrying detonated prematurely as he was leaving a bus in the Aldwych earlier this year. A list of names was found at his flat in

Lewisham, southeast London. The security sources said the IRA was operating in a "high-risk environment" on the mainland. To succeed, bombers in place had to seize their opportunity, conscious

agents on the mainland and that an extended build-up to a bombing ran the risk of being uncovered. The success of the security

authorities and the failure of a number of planned bomb attacks, including the plot to up Hammersmith Bridge, appear to have placed the IRA hierarchy in a dilemma. After the death of O'Brien and the subsequent failures.

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over to the mainland. After yesterday's arrests, the IRA is still left with the same dilemma. If the most experienced terrorists are sent to the mainland and caught by the increasingly confident security authorities, the organisation would be dealt an even

Leading article, page 21

# Arms find confuses prospects for peace

CHIEF IRELAND CORRESPONDENT

YESTERDAY'S discovery of explosives provided chilling evidence of the IRA's determination to mount a massive mainiand bombing campaign that would have dwarfed the attacks in Manchester and the Docklands.

The home-made explosives, which could have been detonated within bours, would have produced the equivalent of five bombs of the size that devastated the centre of Manchester in June. Yesterday's scizure was the third major IRA cache to be uncovered since June, indicating that the terrorists are intent on unleashing a devastating wave of violence. In July police discovered 36 devices in raids on houses in south London, and in June police in the Irish Republic uncovered a new type of mortar bomb in a raid on a farmhouse in Co Laois.

While the IRA's deadly intentions are abundantly clear, there is uncertainty among senior security sources about the terrorists' tactics in the longer term. Republicans have been sending out such mixed signals in recent months that the security services are unsure whether yesterday's discovery her-alded a return to full-scale violence or indicated a bloody prelude to another ceasefire. One senior security source said yesterday: "We are conIRASTRATEGY:

fused about the IRA's intentions, but that stems from the confusion within the IRA about what to do."

Signs of a move towards a ceasefire were highlighted last week by police sources in Dublin who indicated that the IRA is planning to hold a rare "General Army Convention". The sources said that the convention, which has met only twice in the 27-year history of the Provisional IRA, may sanction an IRA ceasefire or set the conditions for a renewed truce.

The speculation about a ceasefire was intensified by Irish Government sources who said that some senior republicans are arguing in



McGuinness: said IRA was open to persuasion

a conditional one - while nationalists occupy the moral high ground after the loyalist disturbances during the summer. This camp believes that Britain's tests of the permanence of the ceasefire would be less stringent in the light of the loyalist behaviour at Drumcree.

However, security sources on both sides of the border

eve that another camp in the IRA is arguing strongly that no ceasefire should be called until after the British general election, and possibly until the Irish general election, which has to be held by the end of 1997. This camp believes that Sinn Fein has nothing to gain by joining the multi-party talks at the moment because John Major's Government is weak and distracted, while the Irish Government is unsympathetic to republicans.

The mixed signals from republicans were demonstrated in May when Martin McGuinness, the leading member of Sinn Fein, said that the IRA was "open to persuasion" about declaring a ceasefire if Britain gave assurances that the issue of arms would not dominate all-party talks. As he spoke on the Dimbleby television programme, Brian Keenan, a hardliner, told supporters in Belfast that the only thing republicans would accept was the decommissioning of the British state in this country".



An armed guard mans a checkpoint in Bournemouth, host to the Tory conference, as part of the security operation

# Terrorists return to the mainland

YESTERDAY'S arrests and explosives seizure follow several incidents since the IRA called off its ceasefire.

On February 9 a massive bomb hidden on a low-loader lorry killed two people and injured many more at South Quay in London's Docklands.

☐ On February 15 a 51b Semtex bomb was left in a holdall in a telephone box in Charing Cross Road, central London. On February 18 Edward O'Brien, an IRA man, was blown up and killed by his own bomb when it accidentally detonated and ripped apart the bus on which he was travelling in central London.

On March 9 what was described as a small, improvised device exploded in Old Brompton Road, Fulham, west London, VIOLENT TIMES

causing minor damage. The IRA later admitted planting it. On April 17 an explosion rocked an

empty house at The Boltons, an exclusive area of Earl's Court in the capital. On April 24 two devices were placed at the south side of Hammersmith Bridge in west London and an IRA warning was telephoned to a news agency. There were small explosions when the detonators went off, but the bombs themselves did not explode. The following day Scotland Yard issued an urgent bomb warning to the public after disclosing that the twin

devices represented probably the biggest

terrorists in mainland Britain. On June 15 the IRA struck outside of the capital when a huge bomb ripped through Manchester city centre, injuring

about 200 people. On June 28 the terrorists fired three mortars at the Quebec barracks in Osnabruck, Germany. On July 13 a 1,200lb car-bomb devas-

tated the Kilyhelvin Hotel at Enniskillen. injuring 17 people. Suspicion fell on the breakaway Republican Sinn Fein.

☐ On July 15 the Metropolitan Police recovered components for up to 36 bombs and seven men were arrested at addresses in south London. A man and a woman were later held in Birmingham.

## **Conference** security is

scrutinised BY STEWART TENDLER CRIME CORRESPONDENT

POLICE security experts yes-terday began overhauling their plans for the three main party conferences after the

Special Branch and MI5 are involved not only in the anti-IRA operation but are also responsible for assessing the

Special Branch officers provide detailed daily security cover and close protection for senior politicians as well.

They now believe the IRA will be desperate to regain the initiative. There will be intense pressure among hardliners to carry out a "spectacular", and a party conference offers an mmediately available target.

The Liberal Democrat conference is already under way in Brighton and yesterday Sussex police said the officers planning security would take the developments into account. For the moment the conference is being covered by officers from the Brighton

Both the Labour conference in Blackpool next week and the Conservative Party conference in Bournemouth the week after were already being given top security, including road checks and armed officers on the streets, following the extra precautions taken in the aftermath of the South

Quay blast in Docklands. The precautions at both will, however, be reviewed in the light of yesterday's events.

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# IRA arrests: neighbours woken by shots and shattered glass as operation begins

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# Gunfire at dawn as police storm terrorist bolthole

By Adrian Lee and Bill Frost

SHORTLY before 4.30am yes-terday a blue van drew quietly into a west London street. Armed police dressed in black pulled on gas masks and unloaded ladders before taking up positions outside the guesthouse at 38 Glenthorne Road, Hammersmith.

At 4.30am precisely the ladders were pushed up against the side and rear walls of the Edwardian building. Neighbours were woken by the sound of glass shattering as CS canisters were thrown into first-floor bedrooms.

Other officers, crouched in the firing position behind trees, covered the property as their colleagues pushed through the broken windows illuminated by searchlights.

Witnesses said they heard up to eight shots. Moments later one man, fatally injured, was dragged outside. At first light, a trail of blood could be entrance to the building. A paramedic treated the man where he fell but he died later

at Charing Cross Hospital. There were up to 11 guests staying in The Lodge, an annexe of the Premier West Hotel. No one else was hurt. A guest at The Lodge described how he saw a man, wearing only his underpants, pulled out by police. "They threw him on the ground face down. A policeman had his foot on his back pinning him down. The guy who had been shot was dragged off the steps and pulled onto the road. I saw a policeman pumping at his chest, trying to revive him.

There were loads of police running around with masks on. After a while I went back to bed but the window was open and my eyes were streaming from the gas." The guest said he had been told by the hotel porter that at least one of those involved had been staying at The Lodge for several months.

Gulasshan Ali. whose home overlooks the side of the guesthouse, was woken at 4.30am. "There was a lot of

on and breaking glass. There were police everywhere with bullet-proof jackets. They were shouting, Thrown down your weapon' or Thrown down your gun.' Some police crouched behind a tree with what looked like machineguns. There were eight or ten of them and I could see three ladders up the walls. There were eight or ten shots all in

About 40 minutes after she was woken, Mrs Ali, 32, a mother of two, saw an ambulance arrive and someone carried from the building on a stretcher. "I heard one of the policemen say, 'I don't think

#### THE RAIDS

he has a chance." A blond man wearing a white towelling robe was led to an ummarked police car. He was handcuffed, according to Mrs Ali, who believed that he had only recently arrived at the guesthouse. "Two men arrived on Friday carrying big holdalls. One had brown hair and the other was tall and blond and wearing glasses at the time. I think he was the man in the robe. My husband asked him for change. He seemed pleasant enough."

Another neighbour, Naouar Bioud, said of the gunshots: "It seemed like an exchange of fire. There were about eight shots and I heard a policeman saying, I have got the gun, I have the gun, the son of a

A second suspect was led away in handcuffs, marking the successful conclusion of a raid that had been accomplished in minutes. At exactly the same time, about a mile away in Fulham, families were woken by loud thuds and the sound of shouting as police broke down the front door and smashed the front window of 28 Averill Street.

police with flak-jackets and machineguns outside. I would estimate that involved," said Alan Finn, a neighbour in the Victorian terraced street. Mr Finn, 36, an exhibitions manager, said that he saw one, possibly two, men led away, not offering resistance. He said that two brothers had been living in the house. "It was bought two and a half years ago for cash," Mr Finn said. "I know that because the man tried to buy mine at about the same time and offered cash. I think he was the brothers' father and he lives in the Irish Republic. The two young men who live there were nice quiet chaps." Neighbours said that they

seen boxes being curried in and out of the house late at Gillian Matheson, who lives near by was woken in the small hours by the arrival of police vehicles. There was

banging and shouting, a terrific racket. A man was led out. He seemed quite calm but his head was bowed." Another neighbour spoke of seeing a red-haired young man at the house. "He is a nice lad, he always greets us. He seems a happy-go-lucky sort of bloke. He has been doing a lot

of decorating recently. He has

been working on the place until the light fades at night." Land Registry records disclosed that the house was bought on September 14, 1994, a fortnight after the IRA ceasefire was announced. Three men with the same surname are listed on records for the property. People living near by said that the house had been split into two flats

Irish" family. One of the men failed to arrive yesterday at the workplace where he has been an employee since leaving school six years ago.

and was home to a "London-

A manager said that he had been off work for five days. Last week he had asked for time off to attend a funeral and had called in the following da to say he did not feel up to work after attending a friend's



Police on guard yesterday outside the storage unit in Hornsey, north London, where a large part of the terrorist cache was discovered

brain but is a bit scatty sometimes," the manager said. "He is a hard worker but his timekeeping can some-

times be poor. "If he had come in today, I would have given him a verbal warning about his timekeening. I would not have sacked him though. I'll stick my neck out for him because he's a vulnerable and gullible young

"Most of his friends are from the London-Irish community. He is not political, though; he is the naive type, not aggressive and really rather nondescript."

The manager said he be-lieved that the man's sister lived upstairs at 28 Averill Road. "He has been doing up the house himself. He has replaced all the floorboards and has been asking me what colour to paint his bedroom." Workmates also expressed

surprise about the raid on the house in Averill Street. One, who would not be named, said: "He is a regular guy, a

really nice bloke. He's not interested in politics at all, this is all a big mistake."

Last night the house was shrouded in plastic sheeting and under police guard. Offi-cers told neighbours returning from work not to discuss the raid. Four large black plastic bags containing items from the house were removed by scenes of crime officers last

> The electoral role lists only one full-time occupant of the Premier West Hotel in

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Glenthorne Road. Neighbours said the hotel was popular with DSS residents and Irish workers. Hammersmith has a large Irish community. Latest

almost 13,000 people, is Irish. Yesterday evening The Lodge guesthouse was sealed off as forensic officers carried out checks. According to resia month ago by the owner of the Premier West Hotel and was being renovated. It has a

records show 9 per cent of the

population of the borough,

In the early hours of the morning South Yorkshire police raided industrial premises and a house on the outskirts of Sheffield. Tim Hollis, an assistant chief constable, said that the raids had been planned the previous night after an investigation lasting weeks and involving several agencies.

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# banging and sceaming going 30 or more officers were wake. He has a hell of a good **Warehouse allowed** access at night to unvetted clients

By MICHAEL HORSNELL

IT WAS in early August that anti-terrorist squad officers began their watch on unit four of the self-service storage warehouse in north London where a large part of the IRA explosives cache was discovered during a dawn swoop yesterday.
The terrorist gang had rent-

ed a secure steel room, a quarter the size of a tennis court, at the Abacus Self Cranford Way industrial estate in Hornsey between four and five months ago. They spoke with English

accents and claimed to be from a transport company. Members of the gang provided identities to satisfy company security but were not asked for references.

They always paid their rent on time and had a 24-hour leasing arrangement which allowed them to use the premises when they wanted which proved to be mainly at Video cameras recorded the

omings and goings of all clients, and police are be-lieved to be examining evidence left by the gang. A "redcare" system is also in place at the premises, detecting move-ment at night, linked to a local police station. The company provided

them with a coded card to allow them in to the alarmed unit. It retained a customer identity card on which the



men nominated whom they wished to have access to the

uniformed police sealed off the warehouse while detectives combed the 100,000 sq ft Armed officers surrounded

the modern unit as containers on pallets were isolated and their contents ferried out to police lorries behind 12ft plas-Abacus provides personal

self-service accommodation for businesses and individuals without special security vetting, although the company is now considering introducing references as a re-Robin Greenwood, group

sales manager, told The Times: "People rent space and have their own access, coming and going as they please. They bring in their own stock. and once it's in they have free and unlimited access. We try to keep an eye on what people put in to their individual rooms but you can't always see what goes in. We shall be looking at ways in which to tighten the security." he add-

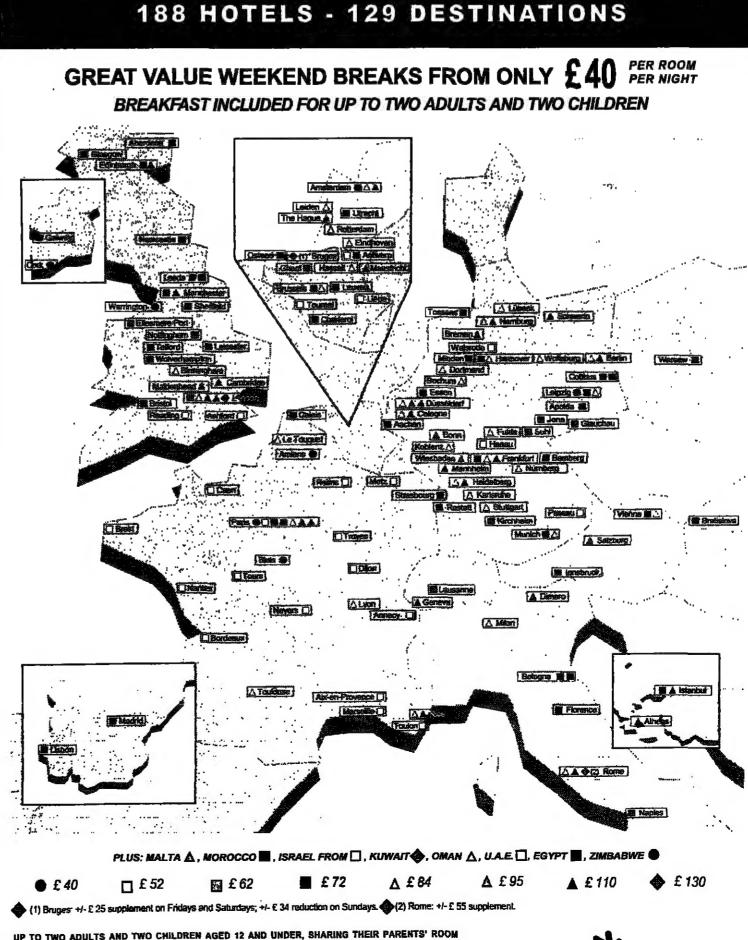
Other customers expressed shock that their own storage facilities at the modern complex should have been lodged manager of Bozier Jeans, one of the units closest to that used by the cell, said: "It's frightening to be so close to it and to find out all this was going on under our noses all the time."

Another leaseholder said he registered their company as a fertiliser business, but he said the people who used the unit were not Irish.

He said: "The stereotype of all these bombs being made by Irishmen is wearing rather thin. I've been suspicious of that unit for some time, but not any particular people and not to the degree that I would call the police. It's a big unit sub-divided into lots of bits, all with 24-hour access, so anyone can come and go at any time of the day or night.

"They seemed to be the only ones who came bere at night. They didn't come during the day which is when most people come. There were all sorts of comings and goings."

The leasehold on the Hornsey premises, one of nine belonging to Abacus in London, Birmingham, Paris and Nice, was bought for El.25 million in 1991 from British Rail by Caledonia Investments plc. It lies at the rear of Hornsey Station.

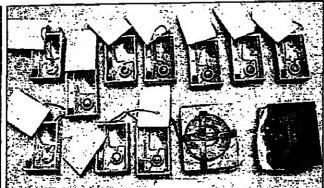


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And there are eye irritation tests, where dyes

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and cosmetics are dropped into their opened eyes.

After the tests are completed all the animals are killed.

Unsurprisingly the RSPCA would like to see it stopped. Perhaps more surprisingly, so would the cosmetics companies.

They are actively involved in developing alternatives, such as tests on cultures of living cells and animal organs rather than live animals.

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#### Man 'killed sister-in-law for shaming his family with affair'

BY PAUL WILKINSON

A WOMAN who had an arranged Pakistani marriage was killed because she had brought shame on her hus-band's family by starting an affair with a married man, a

court was told yesterday.

Tasleem Begum. 20, was knocked down by a car driven by her brother-in-law, who repeatedly drove it over her body as she lay in the street, said Roger Keen, QC, for the prosecution. Shabir Hussain then caught a flight to Pakistan within hours and without

any luggage. Ms Begum from Bradford, West Yorkshire, had married Mr Hussain's brother Ashio in Pakistan when she was 16. Mr Keen said. "The marriage was arranged so that that husband could come into the country. However, that failed and he was refused entry."

She returned to Bradford and moved in with her hus-band's family. She was a "happy, bubbly and outgoing young woman," Mr Keen said. "But, and this may have been her undoing, she was a bit headstrong and independent." In an effort to make a life for herself in Britain she took a job in a supermarket, where she began a secret affair with a married Asian man.

On June 5 last year they were due to meet, but her lover spotted Mr Hussain nearby in

a car and left. Mr Keen said: "She was on the footpath. The car was driven straight into her at speed and over her. It then reversed over her and forwards again with her underneath it, at high revs. The young woman suffered the horrendous injuries causing her extreme pain and her death. Having completed his bloody mission the driver

sped off on his way."
The car, owned by Mohammed Yaseem, Ms Begum's brother, was found abandoned in a nearby street with a damaged windscreen but no signs of a break-in. Mr Yaseem had lent the only set of keys to Mr Hussain near the time of the attack.

Mr Hussain, who returned

to England last September, denies murder. The trial

#### 'A genuinely good man was killed for very worst of reasons'

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# Boy 'stabbed head as he saved pupil from gang'

By JOANNA BALE

school gaies.

The gang were armed when Philip Lawrence con-

reasons."
With Mr Lawrence's wid-

ow, Frances, looking on, Mr

Bevan added: "A 15-year-old

armed with a knife can be taken to know what it is capable of doing in his hands."

Mr Bevan described the co-

defendant, Boy B, who was 14

at the time of the attack, as a

gang member who was re-

led up to the attack. Boy B had

been at the school since before

Mr Lawrence joined. He said:

"I do not suggest Boy B bore the slightest ill will to Mr

Lawrence and probably re-

spected him as much as the

Mr Bevan described how on the Monday before the mur-

der, Boy B had a fight with Boy C in the school. The fight produced tension between the pair that "bubbled all week",

culminating in Boy B contact-

ing members of his street gang

to help him to take revenge.
The defendants were mem-

bers of a gang called Wo Sing

Wo who "pretended to be the

juvenile equivalent of a Triad gang". Mr Bevan said. It

comprised a number of youths

in Camden and the West End,

other pupils."

A 15-YEAR-OLD boy "acting with a mixture of bravado and adrenalin" stabbed the headmaster Philip Lawrence to death outside his school gates, the Old Bailey was told vesterday.

Buy A, who cannot be named for legal reasons, denies murdering Mr Lawrence as he tried to protect a pupil from attack by a gang. The boy, now 16, from Camden, north London, appeared with Boy B. 15, with whom he is jointly charged in connection with the attack on the pupil, 13. referred to as Boy C.

John Bevan, for the prosecution, outlined events leading up to the death of Mr Lawrence last December after the teenager was hit over the head with an iron bar outside St George's Roman Catholic School in Maida Vale, west London. Mr Bevan said that the death of Mr Lawrence, who was married with four children, had thrust a man who did not seek attention into

"He was the sort of man who does not court public attention but quietly goes about his job. Part of his job involved looking after the



Philip Lawrence died



Frances Lawrence at the Old Bailey, where she watched the first day of the trial

Soho. Mr Bevan said: "They wore black or dark clothes and bandannas or scarves over their faces to represent a uniform and to command

sponsible for the trouble that respect or to instil fear." Boy B threatened Boy C that the gang would beat him up. Mr Bevan said: "It was a classic example of the bullying of a younger boy. Gone, it seems, are the days when fisticuffs in the playground, a fair fight, were enough to settle disputes. Boy B thought a gang fight was the appropriate response to this trouble-

some 13-year-old boy."

Mr Bevan pointed out that the exact rights and wrongs of the argument between boys B and C were "entirely irrele-vant". They served only to demonstrate how "a total lack of self-control and self-discipline can have disastrous

Mr Bevan explained how Boy B had taken a knife to school and given it to a friend to look after. In the meantime, Boy C sensed danger." When

according to a member of the gang, who is to give evidence, the Il-strong gang met in a Burger King restaurant in Euston, north London, and travelled by Tube to the school for "home time".

The leader of the gang, Boy A. organised them into three groups who walked 20 yards apart as they approached the school. Mr Bevan said: "It was a sort of military operation."

He went on: Boy A spoke to two boys and said men with guns were coming (a reference to the belief that Boy C had a rival back-up gang) and he said he was going to do it now; this indicates a somewhat overblown sense of theatre but was presumably to make him look brave."

Boy C was lured a few by Boy B where the gang was lying in wait, it was alleged. Mr Bevan said: "The plan went wrong because it was rather lacking in subtlety and

Boy C saw the gang with scarves over their faces he returned to the school where he tried to phone a friend's older brother for help. Andrew Graham, the deputy headmaster, "sensed all was not well" and called Boy C over. Despite Mr Graham and Mr Lawrence's presence, Boy B went up to Boy C and demanded that he should

Shortly afterwards, one member of the gang, whose identity has not been established hit Boy C over the head with an iron bar and he ran off dazed and bleeding from a purposeful blow", according to Mr Bevan. The Crown alleges that Boy A stabbed Mr Lawrence as he intervened in the fight between Boy C and the gang.

Both youths deny conspiracy to cause grievous bodily harm to Boy C and wounding him with intent. The case, expected to last four weeks,

#### Woman is jailed for attack on **Times** reporter

By A STAFF REPORTER

A BUSINESSWOMAN who tore at the hair of a reporter for The Times and then repeat-edly tried to bang her head into the bonnet of a car in an "appalling" attack was yesterday jailed for 30 days.

Jennifer Chelley, 49, tried to blame Emma Wilkins for a minor crash in central London when she drove into the back of the reporter's car. As a result of the attack Miss Wilkins, 30, a home news reporter with The Times, needed treatment for post-traumat-

Miss Wilkins, backed by the evidence of independent witnesses, described how Chelley went into a "complete state of frenzy" after the mid-morning crash on the Embankment

last February. She said that Chelley, who ran a recruitment agency for corporate clients and government departments, began swearing as both women got out of their cars, and claimed that £800 damage had been done to her Toyota although Miss Wilkins saw no evidence

Miss Wilkins, who was also bitten above the eye by Chelley, told Horseferry Road magistrates: "She grabbed me by the hair and pulled my head down towards the bonnet of her car, as if to put my nose on the bonnet, saying, Look what you've done to my car'.

She tried to summon help on her mobile telephone but Chelley again began to pull at her hair and she noticed the smell of alcohol on Chelley's breath. Eventually Chelley drove off but a witness noted her registration number. Ros Keating, chairwoman

of the bench at Horseferry Road Magistrates' Court, told Chelley, whose recruitment agency failed after eight years, that the offence was so serious that a custodial sentence was justified. Chelley, of Chelsea, admitted common assault on Miss Wilkins as she drove to work at her newspaper's offices in east London but claimed that the incident followed an altercation at Battersea Bridge when Miss Wilkins had "cut her up" and forced her into roadworks. 1981).

#### NEWS IN BRIEF Man killed in fall from

helicopter

An RAF sergeant has been killed after falling out of a Chinook helicopter during a night exercise. The body of Sergeant Michael Patton, 29, was found on the Castlemartin range area in Dyfed, South Wales, by an RAF search and rescue team.

Sergeant Patton, who was married and came from Cheshire, was one of four crewmen on board the Chinook from 7 Squadron based at RAF Odiham in Hamp-shire. A board of inquiry has been set up to investigate the circumstances of his death.

#### Fatal production

An award-winning amateur actor died on stage during a cabaret act with his son and daughter at an awards ceremony in Bournemouth, Tony Smith, 58, of Higheliffe Charity Players, Dorset, won an award last year for services to local theatre.

#### Conman jailed

A man who tricked his fiancée out of more than £20,000 was jailed for four years by Nottingham Crown Court. James Linle, 47, told Lilian Jameson he was the only suitable donor for his stepson dying of leukaemia in New Zealand. She found out the boy was healthy.

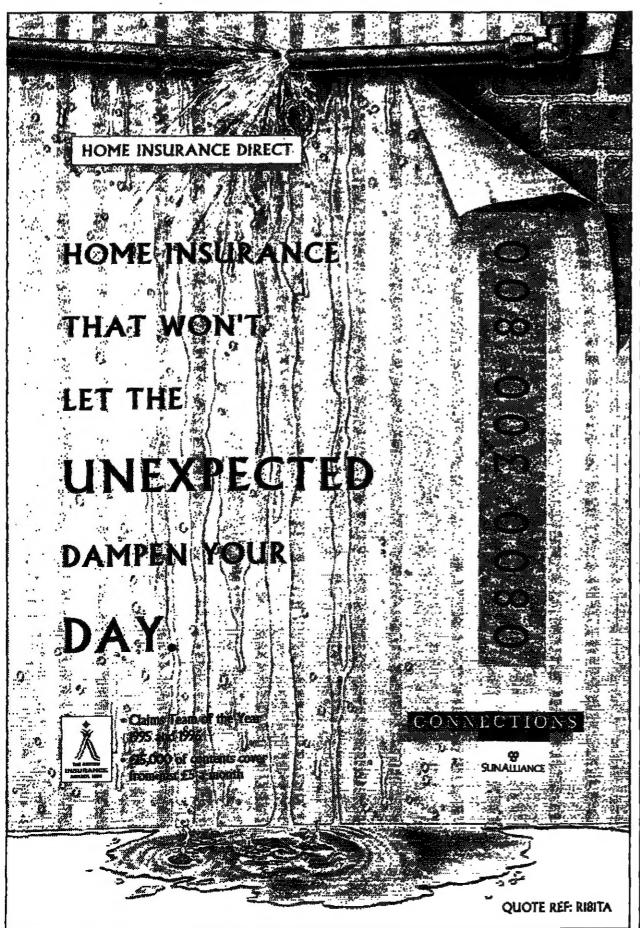
#### Pelican captured

A female pelican that escaped from a bird sanctuary in Farnham, Surrey, has been recaptured in Christchurch, Dorset, after ten days of freedom. But its mate, which flew off a day later and was last seen in Petersfield, Hampshire, is still at large.

#### CORRECTIONS

☐ Channel 5's launch, originally planned for next January, has been delayed for between four and six weeks because of the award of an extra frequency, which means retuning two million extra homes, not because of difficulties with the existing schedule (report, September 19). A precise new date will be announced soon.

□ John Maynard (1883-1946) was not unmarried (letter, September 21). In 1925 he married the Russian ballerina Lydia Lopokova (1892-





# Literary Endeavour successfully cracks the Morse code

he last of the Inspector Morse mysteries was unravelled yesterday in a London bookshop. The atmosphere was Electric with a capital E - because that initial was all that was previously known about Inspector Morse's most personal secret, his Christian name. And vesterday morning was to be Morse's Exit. because his creator, the thriller writer Colin Dexter, had sworn that his thirteenth Morse book, published yester-

day, would be the last. And for the Envoi Dexter had promised that the elusive Epithet would be exposed at the end of this concluding work. He was there in person to see it done.

As with all good cliffhangers, the denouement was delayed. John Thaw, who has played Morse in the television series, was held up in traffic. Ergo, yet more suspense. The pablishers, Macmillan, won consent from the gathered fans that the Enigma should remain until Mr Thaw was there to see the Event.

Each one of the words spelt with a capital E in this report (and that includes Everyone) had been suggested as possibilities for the Inspector's missing handle, along with

as Ernest (the bookies' favourite), Eric, Edward, Enoch, Ethelred, Elias, Elijah, Em-

manuel and Eros. Maurice Early, 63, Dexter's most voracious reader, had travelled from Brighton to hear the solution. His own investigations had suggested two intriguing possibilities. His first idea was that Morse might have a palindromic name: Esrom. That would mean Morse shared his first name with a subtle Danish cheese. Mr Early's second

Dexter's own first name is Norman, so on the electoral register he would appear as Dexter. Norman and that contains Erno." That name is shared by Rubik, inventor of the almost insoluble cube, and Goldfinger, the architect with lofty aspirations

phrase that keeps recurring in the books." Mr Early ex-plained. "Er ... no. Also

In the end, Mr Early admitted, he preferred the solution advanced by John Grant, former crossword editor of

For philistines like you, Lewis, as well as for classical scholars like me, this city with its baths, and temples must rank as one of the finest in Europe. You ought to bring the missus here some time.

Did I ever get the chance to thank you for the few(!) contributions you made to our last case together? If I didn't, let me thank you now - let me thank you for everything, my dear old friend.

Endeavour (Morse)

Sign language: all is revealed at the end of the book

from the final pages of a proof copy of the last book, *Death* is Now My Neighbour (with the Inspector's first name omitted) that the absent appellation was Endeavour.

Mr Grant, who had travelled in from Bromley, southeast London, confident that his suspicions would be confirmed, said he had not read any Morse books before or paid much attention to the television shows. He had found his four conclusive clues in the last three pages of the final book, unavailable to Mr Early and other members

he clues, he said, were that Morse's girl-friend remarked on the Inspector's being "lumbered" with a strange name, that his parents had "kept on at him all the time about trying as hard as he could in life", that his mother was a Ouaker, and that his father's greatest hero was Captain Cook, whose ship was the Endeavour.

In the End Mr Dexter's revelation wholly lacked the Element of surprise that should have been Essential. because Mr Grant's solution, published in The Sunday Times eight days before, proved correct.

Mr Early's only consolation



John Thaw, left, Colin Dexter, centre, and Kevin Whateley after the disclosure of Morse's name yesterday

was that he had spotted a mention of Captain Cook at the bottom of page 196 of The Daughters of Cain.

"It's a perfect name for Morse," John Thaw said loy-

ally. "Sergeant Lewis would never have worked it out," offered Kevin Whateley, who plays that character. Dexter said he had kept Morse's first name in mind since revealing

the initial E when Morse was hospitalised in The Wench is Dead, written five years ago. "I would have been very surprised if Morse had been called anything else," Mr

Chemist jailed

for converting

cocaine into crack

money on his hunch? He had not. A pity. But then no-one can have Everything.

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#### By A Staff Reporter A RESEARCH chemist who helped in the fight against HIV was jailed for ten years yesterday after he cleaned up a batch of contaminated cocaine and turned it into crack worth more than £84,000. Malcolm Banks, who held a post at Edinburgh University, used his expertise to convert a

boasted to drug dealers that he could make the cocaine fit for sale. Williams, 41, was jailed for ten years along with Banks, 39, by the High Court in Edinburgh. Temporary Judge Robin McEwan, QC, noted that neither had previous convietions and that each was "a person of education" and in-Banks's case "a man of eminence in his field". But the judge said that he must take a

Banks admitted producing a class A drug, cocaine, at his home in Edinburgh between February 27 and 29 this year and producing a type of Ecstasy at the house between November 29 last year and February 29. Williams, of

most serious view of the case

that severe sentences

Bromley, southeast London, admitted being concerned in the supply of cocaine.

Advocate Depute Gerard Moynihan, for the prosecution, said thatmore than half a kilo of dangerous "freebase" cocaine, worth up to three times the amount of ordinary cocaine, was found in a car in which Williams left Banks's address on February 29. If the worthless batch of spoilt codrug had got to the streets it caine after being approached could have been worth up to by a friend from university. Robert Williams, who had £84,450. Police raided the house and found 6.7 grammes of the crack cocaine, chemicals

> and laboratory apparatus needed to produce it. Dr Banks has applied his knowledge and skill as a chemist to the commercial production of freebase cocaine for the English market." Mr Moynihan said. Williams had taken contaminated cocaine hydrochloride from England to Edinburgh and was returnhome they found 1.66 kilogrammes of cocaine hydrochloride worth more than

For Banks, John McInnes said that his client had made important contributions to his field of study that had benefited both industry and medicine, including against HIV.

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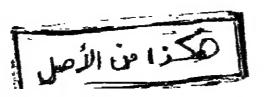
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# Clergy given checklist to avoid temptation

By RUTH GLEDHILL RELIGION CORRESPONDENT

CLERGY and bishops who believe that ordination renders them immune to sexual temptation have been issued with a new code of conduct by the Church of England.

The Code of Ministerial Practice, called The Greatness of the Trust, is a checklist of good behaviour drawn up by a Diocese of Oxford working party. It advises clergy not to drink or take drugs on duty and says that pastoral guidance and counselling can too easily cross the boundaries from a professional to a personal relationship.

touch can lead to another." In their pastoral duties, priests are urged to think carefully about their hodily

By SHIRLEY ENGLISH

NEW allegations yesterday about Roderick Wright, the

runaway bishop, raised ques-

tions about the Roman Catho-

lic Church's willingness to

investigate complaints

Heene McKinney, the bish-

op's former housekeeper, dis-

closed that she was the

woman who had alerted the

church authorities about ap-

parent affairs four years ago.

She said that she had found

love letters from four women.

some of which contained ex-

sent letters were allegedly

Joanna Whibley, the mother

of the bishop's 15-year-old son,

and Kathleen MacPhee, the

divorcée with whom he has

run away. But the Church

took no action after accepting

the bishop's protests that the

came his housekeeper a week

after he had been ordained

Bishop of Argyll and the Isles

in 1991, and worked for him

for 18 months. She said that

within four months she had

claims were scurrilous. Miss McKinney, 67, be-

Two of the women who had

plicit sexual references.

posture" and the appropriate use of first names and terms of endearment. They are also told to pay attention to the atmosphere of venues used to meet parishioners including details such as the arrangement of furniture and lighting. although there is no guidance on what a suitable room decor would be Situations to be avoided

include late-night visits alone at someone's home or in the minister's home, and spending time with children away from other people. The initiative, which is concerned chiefly with targeting "sexual abuse" of adults by clergy, was taken after a year-long study by the diocese, which also

Church told about bishop's

love letters four years ago

Wright: said claims of

found notes and love letters

around the house from four

women, two of whom she has

refused to name. Later she

been written by the bishop

himself begging a woman not

to stop seeing him. Another note said: "My darling Kath-

leen, I love you very much."

Miss McKinney, from
Oban, said that she had twice

confronted the bishop and he had denied everything. In

1992 she went to Cardinal

Thomas Winning, Archbish-

One letter, she said, had

found more letters.

report, commissioned by the Bishop of Oxford, the Right Rev Richard Harries, says: Pastoral relationships from time to time run into difficulwith emotional overinvolvement leading to abuse of various kinds, including the development of a sexual relationship."

it adds: "Those who suppose that ordination or authorisation to recognised ministries somehow conveys immunity from tempration are mistaken. In recent years there has been a growing awareness of cases of sexual abuse, by clergy and other authorised ministers, of people in their pastoral cure."

bishop Keith O'Brien of St

Andrews. After what she

described as an "horrendous"

two-hour interview, they told

her to leave the matter with

them. She expected that the

bishop would be asked to resign, but instead she was

dismissed from her post by him. She heard nothing fur-

It was not known whether

the Church questioned the women named by Miss Mc-

Kinney or simply accepted the word of the bishop. Piers

McGrandle, of the Catholic

*Herald*, said: "This was

known about four years ago.

but the Church swept it under

the carpet. They should have

Last week Cardinal Win-

ning admitted he had investi-

gated allegations about the

bishop's relations with

women several years ago. Yesterday Father Noel Barry.

spokesman for the cardinal.

said: "The Church has to

operate according to its own standards. We would never

talk about a meeting which

was sought and conducted on

a confidential basis."

investigated harder."

ther from the Church.

Ministers, male and female. are also given a list of danger signs that a relationship is becoming too intense, including sweaty palms and an increased pulse rate before counselling sessions, and extending the time allocated for

ous types of abuse including physical, emotional, mental, spiritual and sexual, and says any can occur in a pastoral context. It says that if a clergyman becomes emotionally involved with someone of the opposite sex, the relationship can easily cross the boundaries into sexual abuse. Everyone with pastoral responsibilities, "even bishops

All Christians are capable of ignoring God's warnings, the report says, and some "even believe it is God's will that they should do so", harbouring a "delusion that this particular relationship is different and somehow blessed

ordained and lay ministers in the Oxford diocese although Bishop Harries has said it will be recommended for wider use if it proves successful.

Church authorities share with the public "a sense of bewilderment about the way in which the standards of some of those entrusted with pastoral responsibility are so at variance with the teaching of the Church and the ethical and moral norms expected of Christian ministers".

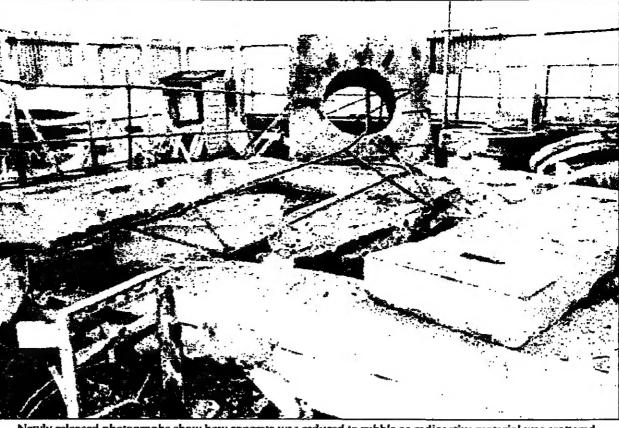
A second document drawn up by the working party codifies for the first time procedures for handling alle-gations, from informing the area bishop to setting up an investigation into contested claims. This also offers further advice to clergy to avoid getting into compromising situations including a warning to male ministers that they are particularly at risk from the "hysterical female" person-ality types who have a tenden-cy to fall in love with those taking on the counsellor role.

that particular person.

The guidelines identify variand other church dignitaries", is vulnerable, it says.

by Him". The guidelines will be used

It was originally designed in Scottish nuclear facility. After



Newly released photographs show how concrete was reduced to rubble as radioactive material was scattered

# Secret pictures reveal nuclear plant blast damage after 20 years

By Nick Nuttall, environment correspondent

THE devastating effects of a blast at the Dounreay nuclear plant nearly 20 years ago became clear yesterday with the release of the first pictures of the scene.

The photographs, unveiled by the UK Atomic Energy Authority, show the damage caused by an explosion in the plant's high-active waste shaft

Radioactive materials were scattered over a large area of the site and a concrete plug weighing several tons was thrown 200 yards in the air

from the top of the shaft.
Full details of the accident became public only last year following years of secrecy. A report by the Government's nuclear waste authority recently highlighted the shaft's unstable condition.

the 1950s as an access tunnel for construction workers building a waste pipe at the the building work was finished the bottom of the shaft was sealed and the hole was used to dump dangerous materials from the reactor. Between 1959 and 1974 no proper record of what was thrown in was kept.

The 215ft deep shaft is

face on the shores of the exhibition organised by the UKAEA. which operates Dounreay. The display at Thurso Town Hall will run Pentland Firth and experts from around the world have been asked to work out how to until Saturday. make it safe or how to remove its lethal contents. The cost of nuclear plant hope that the such an option has been estimated at hundreds of mil-

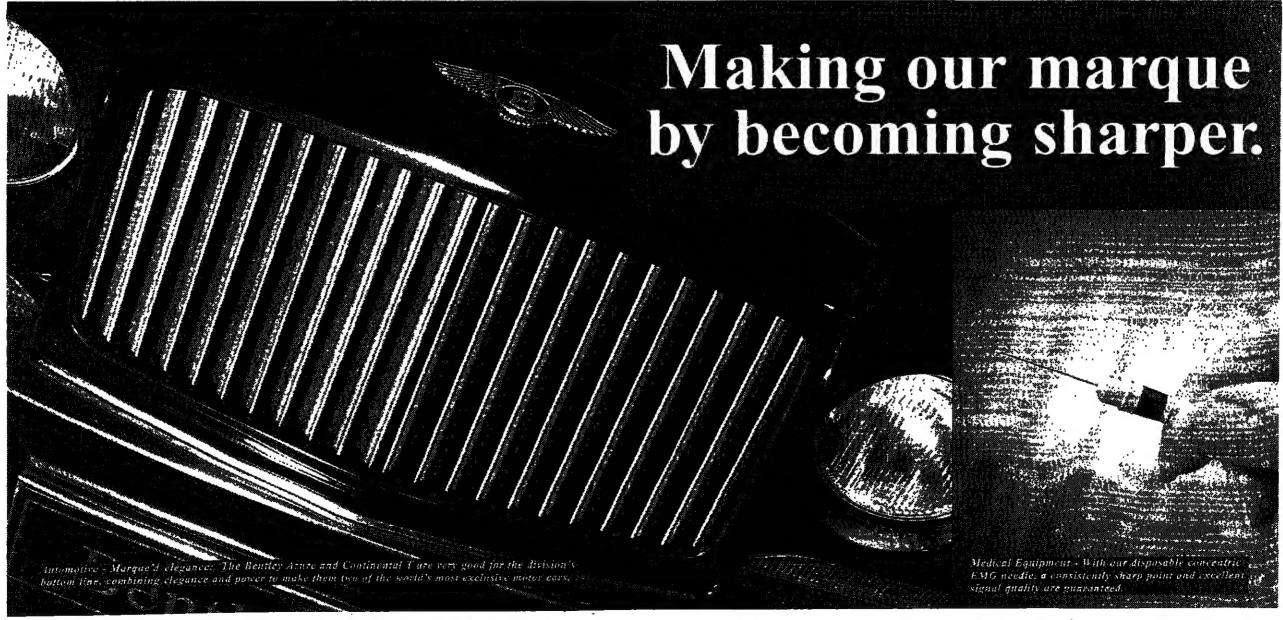
lions of pounds. The pictures form part of an

local population will be reassured about the safety of the dump after recent revelations about the shaft. However, Lorraine Mann, of Scotland Against Nuclear Dumping. said that the exhibition was purely a damage-limitation exercise, which it had been forced to hold by the glare of media attention on the "extremely dangerous and shoddy practices" that had been used at Dounreay.

She said: "Nobody is going to be convinced by this. The fact remains that the shaft is very dangerous and they cannot hide that. Their own consultants say that there is a risk of another explosion and the effects of the last one are still with us today."

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# Cracker shown the door by solve-it-yourself police

RUSSELL JENKINS

THE days of the real-life Crackers are numbered, academics and senior police offi-cers were told yesterday. Police forces are fast developing their own versions of the criminal psychologists called in from the groves of academe to solve the most brutal and complex crimes.

The "scientist practitioners" are fully conversant with the and academic theories. David Canter told the fourth International Investigative Psychology Conference in Liverpool. Professor Canter, who heads the Investigative Psychology Unit at the city's university, said the science of "profiling" murderers and serial rapists was now being used as a tool in everyday police work, including crime prevention.

Professor Canter said the days of Fitz, the popular television character portrayed by Robbie Coltrane in the Granada TV series Cracker, were coming to an end. "The hit-and-run expert who sniffs around the murder scene in order to decide how the killer got on with his mother and what type of kinky sex he enjoyed is fading from real-life police investigations just as television viewers are also getting bored with these unlikely characters.

Detectives are answering the question, 'At what stage in an inquiry do you bring in a psychologist?" with the re-



Robbie Coltrane as Fitz, lead character of Cracker

sponse, 'Before the crime is committed. They are making psychology part of their way of thinking, not an add-on for specially difficult cases," Pro-

fessor Canter said. There were now five British forces with their own investingative psychology units footed. A new breed of

staffed by officers and civilians trained in how to study and interpret patterns of criminal behaviour. They had moved far beyond the public's ing profiler who made ordi-

information technology, was appearing. These scientific practitioners could help to create training programmes and operational systems to aid day-to-day crime detection. "It seems to me a very healthy development, said Professor Canter, who helped police in the Yorkshire Ripper case and the James Bulger murder on Merseyside. He added: "There is a

growing confidence among police officers in their ability to utilise this new discipline. As Merseyside Police are showing, together with many other forces, it is not enough to let academic psychologists carry out their studies and then to take the result if it looks interesting.

the process of formulating the objectives of the research and to be directly involved in facilitating it. As an academic who, in the end has to collect the data and analyse it, this is a development that I strongly welcome.

Superintendent John Mawer, who heads the Merseyside intelligence unit. looked forward to a day when investigative psychology developed to such an extent that it could pinpoint potential criminals, especially serial killers, and prevent crimes before they happened. Referring to the Dunblane massacre, he said: "What could have been done had we applied

#### Typical sex killers are tall, short or adopted

THE typical sex killer is likely to be an adopted child, very tall or very short with a very high or very low IQ, the conference was told. He is also too vain to wear

If not adopted, he is the first sophisticated selection proof last child of several, suggesting that he was not an required to perform their leaders fell into a category planned and this was communicated in some way to him by convictions. the parents, Chias Missen of the Liverpool University Investigative Psychology Unit

Mr Missen said his study of the characteristics of 405 serial sexual murderers in America "the group had highly defined showed up startling similarities which posed questions that could be answered only

by their shared backgrounds. In few cases was lust or sexual satisfaction the prime motive. Serious sexual assaults were "anti-sex" he said. The motives were much more to do with rage, control and possession.

Mr Missen said that one day such statistical analyses would arm an investigator with enough detailed scientific knowledge to find his target, but acknowledged: "There is still a factor X, but I don't know what it is."

Gabrielle Salfati. of Liverpool University, suggested that the how, when and where a murder is committed gives strong clues to the murderer's criminal history, age and family background.

# Natural selection gives six distinct types of burglar

BIRDS of a criminal feather do not flock together when professional burglary gangs are formed, the conference was told yesterday.

Individual members of different teams are subject to a

An examination of the behaviour and characteristics of 70 criminals between the ages of 16 and 52 involved in the offence of ram-raiding revealed that each member of and separate skills.

Angela Wilson, a detective inspector with Thames Valley Police, who carried out the study, discovered high levels of consistency between the gangs, their make-up and the criminal history of their mem-

Gangs could be split up into six separate members: a leader who made the important decisions, the driver of the ramming vehicle, the "heavy" prepared to use violence, the apprentice to the leader, the extra who stole vehicles and performed other tasks in adrance of the job, and the

handler of the stolen property. Ms Wilson analysed statis-tics and information about their previous convictions. Six previous offence themes were identified: high dishonesty: low dishonesty; high dishon-

esty/antisocial behaviour, low dishonesty/violence and low dishonesty/antisocial

Individuals who performed the same role were shown to

> "They are particularly experienced and had been through the gamut of offences," Ms

> Likewise, the "heavies" came into the low dishonesty and high violence bracket, the majority with offences for actual and grievous bodily harm. Handlers fell into the low dishonesty and anti-social

Drivers ranged across the spectrum. Their previous convictions were almost always offences such as car theft or driving without insurance.

Ms Wilson said that each of the teams was made up of very different individuals and their roles were respected by their colleagues. Few expected to swap their roles.

Ms Wilson said: The consistency of these ram-raiding teams is not a matter of chance. Rather the make-up is planned so individuals with certain expertise and previous conviction history are selected for their appropriate roles to maximise the chances of

#### Modern robbers fail to fit identikit

THE modern armed robber attacks banks and building societies in highly organised gangs of three members or more. The blaggers are split almost evenly between gangs with a specific leader and these with an egalitarian

Karyn McCluskey and Sarah Wardle, criminal intelligence analysts, spoke to 17 armed robbers convicted of at least three serious offences. had carried out more than 300

armed robberies. Each gang had a planner, a driver and a violent member who was prepared to use a loaded weapon against anyone who stood in their way. Almost all had acted on insideinformation from someone who worked in the target establishment or had recently left. Many of the robbers were fatalistic about the chances of

imprisonment. There were fundamental differences, however, in why each gang had been brought together, with ten out of 17 formed to commit one specific offence. Forty-one per cent of the gangs had a hierarchical structure while the rest were

egalitarian. Miss McCluskey said: "Preliminary evidence from the research suggests that there are distinct differences in the characteristics of the teams and the offenders within

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#### Lack of funding threatens to delay animal tests ban By Nick Nuttall, environment correspondent

cosmetics on animals are in jeopardy because of a shortage of funds to find alternative methods, the RSPCA said vesterday.

The animal protection charity said that the European Commission centre which is charged with approving alterunderfunded and under-

In 1994, 3,520 tests involving animals, including their eyes and skin, were carried out in Britain. But under proposed European plans, mice, rats, rabbits, guinea-pigs and other laboratory animals will be replaced by computer models

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PLANS to phase out testing of and other tests within two

In 1993 commission ministers decided to phase out the use of animals in cosmetics testing. A ban on the marketing of new cosmetics and toiletries containing ingredients tested on animals after January 1, 1998, is due to come into force under the Cosmetics Directive. But this will happen only if alternatives have been approved and validated by the European Communities Validation of Alternative Methods

In December the Commission will publish proposals for the first tests to be banned. But the charity claims that, to date, only a handful of alternative tests are close to being approved, putting in jeopardy the entire phase-out scheme.

The public is being urged to write to Trade and Industry Ministers demanding swifter action before the end of the year. "The use of animals in cosmetics testing could become a thing of the past but only if efforts to find alternatives are accelerated

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# Trusts reject nurses' appeal for end to local pay awards

NHS managers clashed yesover the future of pay bargaining as it emerged that more than nine out of ten health service trusts have still not agreed a salary award for nurses for the current year.

The employers called yesterday for an end to national pay bargaining and said that hospitals must be given the freedom to negotiate wages locally. The National Association of Health Authorities and Trusts said the existing system, in which a national rise is set by the nurses' pay review body with an additional amount negotiated by each trust, was "the worst of all worlds". It said that the nurses' pay review body should be abolished.

Unions rejected the demand and said that NHS trusts could not be relied upon to deliver reasonable pay awards to nurses. In evidence submitted yesterday to the pay review body. it said that a strong national recommendation on pay was essential to ensure nurses were properly rewarded.

The unions said that they were looking for parity with comparable occupations. The lowest-paid registered nurse is said to receive 14 to 23 per cent less than social workers. teachers or policemen at a comparable level.

The association, which submitted joint evidence to the review body with the NHS Trust Federation, said that in the two years since local pay had been introduced, trusts had been given too little scope to negotiate locally because the major part of the rise was set

nationally by the review body. Trusts were given a 2.75 per cent budget increase to fund pay awards this year. The national rise of 2 per cent, set April, left them little room manocuvre. To date, 411 of the 485 trusts that employ nurses have made offers but only 33 have reached a settlement, the association said.

The unions said that more than 33 per cent of NHS trusts had still failed to make any local pay offer compared with 98 per cent that had made offers at the same time last year. They are angry that doctors, whose pay is still



Hunt blamed unions

ceived up to 6.8 per cent this year, leaving less available locally for nurses.

Philip Hunt, the association's director, said the nursing unions' demand for a national pay rise would take the NHS "back to the dino-saur age". He blamed the low number of pay settlements this year on union leaders' failure to negotiate. "What we need are pay awards that hospitals and trusts can afford and that give us more flexibility to improve quality of services," Mr Hunt said.

"Most trusts have made offers but it takes two to tango. Many staff representatives under pressure from their national officers will not sit round the table with local managers to negotiate. We need a clear decision to go for local pay, removing impediments such as the review bodies and bringing terms and conditions into the equation.

Christine Hancock, general secretary of the Royal College of Nursing, said that about two thirds of the local pay offers had been for increases of less than I per cent.

Earlier this month Stephen Dorrell, the Health Secretary. said that NHS trusts should have maximum discretion to determine pay. But Ms Hancock said that local bargaining had led to staff shortages and



Donald Spear and his wife Juliette, who said that they are "just getting on with the situation in hand"

# CJD sufferer faces premature death with a sense of humour

By Dominic Kennedy, social affairs correspondent

powers one by one. A year ago

Mr Spear would insist on

making coffee for a visitor,

willing his hands to stop trembling. He continued

walking, sometimes helped by a stick, until he fell in the

kitchen in February on his

way to the refrigerator to get an ice-cream. He broke his

leg, spent eight weeks in bed, and has been immobile since.

Nurses, doctors and thera-

pists begin to arrive at the small flat in Hemel Hemp-

stead, Hertfordshire, that Mr

Spear shared with his girl-friend for five years before they married in 1995, knowing

he had a terminal illness. He

is visited by Harash Narang,

the scientist who believes he

has found a way to diagnose

CJD before death, although

most experts believe it can be

WHEN Donald Spear first invited The Times into his home to talk about living with the human equivalent of "mad cow" disease, he filled the room with wisecracks. laughter and adventure stories about his life as a motorcycle courier. A year later, his wife Juliette does most of the talking as she cheerfully describes his existence. He cannot walk and has almost lost the power of speech.

Mr Spear, 33, did not think that he would live to learn the outcome of the High Court battle on behalf of himself and 18 others who contracted Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease from contaminated human growth hormone. Sixteen of those prescribed the hormone as youngsters so that they would reach normal height are already dead. In the summer, a judge ruled that the Department of Health

was to blame for cases after July 1977, because by then there were warning signals that the treatment, given to 1,900 children between 1959 and 1985, was risky.

Mr Spear grew to 5ft 5in instead of 4ft 8in. Whether his family receives compensation will depend on when treatment was deemed to have started. He began receiving injections in 1977 but was referred to specialists before the key date. The case returns to the High Court at the end of the month and a final hearing is expected next year.

Mr Spear's positive and mocking attitude towards premature death has astonished experienced doctors. He asked a friend to tattoo his arm "Immortal so far". If somebody solemnly wished him good luck, he would chuckle: "I'll need it". CJD robs a victim of his

confirmed only by examining the remains of the brain. The specialists have suf-

fered their share of goodnatured teasing from Mr Spear, who made jokes about being visited by so many women, but the couple's gratitude for their physical and emotional support is immeasurable. The front room is filled with his surgical bed, a hoist, a special armchair, fans and the rest of the parapher-nalia needed to fulfil his desire to stay at home instead

of retreating to hospital.

Mrs Spear, 36, who gave up
her job in sales to care for her husband, says that in her husband's case CJD has involved a pattern of stabilisation followed by another deterioration. "It is like levels," she says, her hand making downward steps in the air. "If someone had said this to me a couple of years ago I would have been horrified,

#### Liquid breathes life into premature **babies**

By NIGEL HAWKES

A LONDON hospital hopes to save the lives of premature babies by filling their lungs with a liquid that helps them to breathe.

The technique, called liquid ventilation, has been used successfully in America. The liquid is a combination of carbon and fluorine into which a large amount of

oxygen is dissolved. Professor Anne Greenough of King's College Hospital in southeast London plans to launch a trial of the technique in the new year using a chemical manufactured by a subsidiary of British Nuclear Fuels. The therapy will be used on babies born at less than 30 weeks' gestation who often suffer from breathing difficulties. The liquid will be trickled into their lungs and combined with conventional oxygen ventilation in an

"Most of the treatment will be the same but we will be adding the fluid because we think it will be kinder to the babies' lungs," Professor' Greenough said. "There is no need to drain the liquid as it

simply evaporates."

The hope is that more preterm babies will survive and that all those treated will be less likely to suffer from chronic lung disease, which affects half of all babies born before 30 weeks.

The liquid, made by BNFL Fluorochemicals Ltd, is a distant spin-off from nuclear technology. Called perfluorodecalin, it has a molecule made up of ten carbon and 18 fluorine atoms. Dr Gerry May, the company's commer-cial manager, said: "Because it has a close affinity to oxygen. premature babies with underdeveloped lungs can breathe it like air until their lungs are fully developed. It is like an extension of the womb."

So far, Professor Greenough has clearance to use it only as a rescue therapy in very sick children. She has treated one baby but was unable to save its life. "I have applied for funding for a full. controlled trial that could start early next year." she said. 🌝

#### Student dies after blood ban

A YOUNG Jehovah's Witness died after her family refused to let her have a blood transfusion after a skating accident, an inquest was told yesterday.

A doctor said he had pleaded with the woman's family to permit a transfusion, which would have given her a 90 per cent chance of survival.

Emelie Grootjes, 19, broke both legs after she lost control of her inline skates on a hill in July. Miss Grootjes, a Dutch student, had been on holiday at Lockley Park caravan park in Hamworthy, Dorset, with her parents. She was taken to Poole General Hospital where she died five days later in intensive care.

The inquest at Bournemouth was told that Miss Grootjes died after fat and marrow from her shanered bones entered her bloodstream, and then congested

Dr Barry Newman, head of the intensive care unit, said: "If she had received all the therapies we could give, then I would have given her chances as 90 per cent. Her parents had signed a form saying that she would not take blood or

blood products." Miss Grootjes's father, Cornelius, of Schogen in northern Holland, "We accept other treatment but not blood or blood products.

Nigel Neville-Jones, the East Dorset Coroner, said that a post-mortem examination had given the cause of death as fat embolism syndrome. He recorded a verdict that Miss Grootjes died as the result of an accident, "the consequences of which were contributed by the refusal of blood transfusions on religious grounds".

## Family of kidnap victim appeals for news

By JOANNA BALE

THE family of a British explosives expert kidnapped in Cambodia six months ago appealed for information yesterday. Christopher Howes, 36, of the Mines Advisory Group, and his interpreter were abducted by armed men in the northwestern province of Siem Reap on March 26. Mr Howes's parents said in a letter

published in a Cambodian newspaper that the family was suffering "great distress" because of the lack of information about his fate. His mother, Betty. "particularly appeals to other mothers and indeed all women who may be able to

help", the letter said. The Bangkok Post reported in August that an officer of the Khmer Rouge had said that Mr Howes had been executed in the guerallas stronghold of Anlong Veng His interpreter, Houn Hourth, was said to have died of malaria in July. Khmer Rouge radio later denied that the guerrilla group had killed Mr Howes.

Mr Howes, from Bristol, had been helping to clear millions of mines left after more than 20 years of war between the Cambodian Government and Khmer



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# Head tells 'selfish' runaway schoolboy a few home truths

THE teenager with an insatia-ble wanderlust who sets off globetrotting without warning was condemned by his headponsible and selfish.

Peter Kerry, 15, was picked up by German police in Frankfurt on Sunday as he cycled down an autobahn on his way to Budapest. Eighteen months ago he found his way to Malaysia using his father's passport and credit cards.

Ten days ago he had disap-peared from his home in Harrow, north London, on his bicycle with a change of clothes and some savings to try to get to Budapest before weather closed in. Early yesterday morning the boy, looking sheepish, was

taken back to his school in Amersham. Buckinghamshire, anly to be sent home again for a few days to discuss his future with his family. Graham Hill, headmaster

of Dr Challoner's Grammar school, said the pupil had not been suspended and would be returning later in the week. We are pleased that Peter has returned safe and well," he said. "We do not, however, condone his irresponsible and selfish behaviour in any way. He has caused his family untold anxiety and wasted the time and resources of the police, social workers and

Peter's parents, Pat and John Kerry, said yesterday that they would do everything in their "limited powers" to stop their son running away again. After his previous disappearance they told how they sent him on foreign trips



Peter Kerry on the way to face his headmaster

to Spain. France and Poland to try to cure him of his travel bug, without success. Further trips to Amsterdam and

Germany had been planned. Mrs Kerry said she had spent a worrying week waitng for her son's return: "I dence that he had gone of his own will or whether anything terrible had happened to him. When I didn't get any news and he didn't phone I began to

suspect the worst."

Asked if Peter appreciated the anxiety his parents felt Mr Kerry said: "I don't know that he thinks that way. It was like a bombshell when he disappeared. There's no logical explanation other than he wants to see the world. We need to talk about the future.

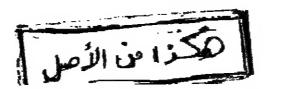
We've lots to sort out." After Peter was picked up in Germany, he told his mother he would travel back alone but, to be on the safe side, she asked police to escort him to



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Row on single currency intensifies

# Tory Right urges Major to sacrifice his Chancellor

By PHILIP WEBSTER AND ANDREW PIERCE

RELATIONS between Kenneth Clarke and John Major were under strain yesterday as right-wing pressure for the Chancellor's dismissal intensified. The Prime Minister was

reported by confidants to be exasperated over Mr Clarke's departure from the agreed Cabinet line on the European single currency. He was felt to have abused his near-unassailable position in the Government and to have breached an agreement which the Cabinet Euro-scentics have observed, in spite of their desire to go further and rule out a single currency for the lifetime of the next Parliament.

David Heathcoat-Amory, the former Treasury Minister who resigned in July to campaign against the single currency, was among a growing list of right-wing MPs who suggested that Mr Major could now afford to sacrifice Mr Clarke in the interests of pushing through a change of policy. His view is not supported by most senior strategists in Downing Street or Conservative Central Office. They believe that if Mr Clarke left the Government, other pro-European ministers would follow him into exile and the split would ruin any chances of a Tory recovery. An influential party figure said yesterday: "It would not just be Clarke. There would be ive or six others."

Mr Clarke's statement that it would be "pathetic" if Britain sidelined itself from the first wave of single currency members and then joined later was seen by ministers as a clear breach of the painstakingly agreed compromise that all options would be left open. and that a referendum would follow any Cabinet decision to join. By going beyond that and effectively ruling out the op-tion of Britain watching the new system and perhaps join-ing later. Mr Clarke has stretched the patience of his Cabinet colleagues to the limit. Brian Mawhinney, the par-

his careful attempts to create a pre-conference truce on Europe - last week he held private talks with John Redwood and the week before Baroness Thatcher had been scuppered. Sources close to Mr Major said he was irritated. One said: "His feeling is that a lot of people are working hard to make the conference a success and ten seconds from Ken gets in the way of all of that. It is a case of here we go again'."

Senior party strategists fear that Mr Clarke may be pushing Mr Major to the limit because he fears that he will

Clarke: departed from the agreed Cabinet line

come under the most intense pressure between now and the election to rule out a single currency. However, his performance during the next few months is viewed as vital to the Conservatives' election hopes and for that reason he is seen as safe.

Mr Heathcoat-Amory and other scentics disagree. He said the Chancellor was not indispensable. "No one minister is essential for the Government's survival, particularly when their departure would release a policy blockage and allow us to advance a policy change that would be very popular in the country." Mr Heathcoat-Amory, who

ty chairman, was angry that this week has republished a pamphlet attacking the intellectual arguments for a common currency, said that the Tory elder statesmen had missed the point last week when they issued an appeal for Britain to take a strong lead in Europe. He said: "At the moment we do not have any leadership in this country on this important policy issue. It is an abdication of responsibility for the Government to say it will not say what the policy will be until after the general election. It is not surprising that people are rempted to vote for the Refer-

> Sir Richard Body, one of the ight Tory MPs who resigned the Whip over Europe, will challenge John Major tonight to replace Mr Clarke if he does not cease his public utterances on the timing of Britain's entry into a single currency.

endum Party."

Sir Richard, who will be speaking at a public meeting in Reigate for the Campaign for an Independent Britain which supports Britain's withdrawal from the EU, said: "It would not be a high price to pay to lose Kenneth Clarke before the general election if it meant the Tory party could rally round a policy opposed to monetary union.

'Ken Clarke is in a minority in the Cabinet, the Tory party and in the country. If Ken Clarke cannot be brought round to that way of thinking we should have a new Chancellor before the general

Bill Cash, MP for Stafford. urged the Chancellor to reconsider his position. "The Chancellor and his allies are trying to fudge the rules. We don't want a single currency."

Downing Street sources said the Government had not altered its position on the single currency. "We negotiated an opt-out and that remains our position. It leaves us in the position of forming a judg-ment at the appropriate time."

Anatole Kaletsky, page 20



To the revving of 50 motorcycle engines and the blast of a megawatt sound system, the heavy metal group Iron Maiden descend on Broadcast ing House in London yesterday to protest at Radio One's refusal to play their records. With the ageing rocker's seruffy denims and long hair, the group's singer Blaze Bayley and guitarist Janick Gers arrived astride huge loudspeakers blasting out songs such as Bring Your Daughter to the Slaughter and The Nature of the Beast (Kathrya Kaight Writes). They were accompanied by their mascot, a 12ft rubber mutant human-

#### Radio 1 playlist protest rocks around the block

oid called Eddie. "They won't play any of our singles so we're going to play them to them." Mr Gers said. "This should shake them up a bit." The band has sold 40 million albums, gathered more than 150 gold and platinum awards for sales, and this year marks 20 years in the music

get air time on Radio One as part of the station's policy of banning chart hits by "unfashionable" artists. As the accompanying bikers of the National Chopper Club revved their engines to the rhythm of The Nature of the Beast in the normally staid portals of Portland Place, Mr Bayley said he was enjoying making a stand. This is

the perfect combination for me. Huge motorcycles and really, really loud beavy metal music." While most passers by were quietly amused at the speciacle, others were less tolerant, with one complaining to a policeman who seemed to be enjoying the musical interlude on an otherwise overcast day. A Radio One spokes-man said: "We wish Iron Maiden a happy anniversary but, frankly, most of us have moved buildings, so we are not all here. All of the songs are chosen on merit. There's nothing wrong with Iron Maiden songs but we've only got so much air space."

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# Anger at employment law shake-up plan

By VALERIE ELLIOTT WHITEHALL EDITOR

AN OVERHAUL of employment law to prevent new recruits to small firms from making unfair dismissal claims was proposed by the Government yesterday. The scheme was part of a package of suggestions from the "deregulation task force".

Ministers want to hear wide reaction to the exemption idea, which Mr Maude said would encourage one and twoman firms to hire more staff. The scheme was denounced

by the Labour Party, which claimed the move was part of the "Tory hidden agenda" to dismantle employment protections. Ian Lang, President of the Board of Trade, sent businesspeople a survey asking them which regulations they would most like to see

disappear. Health and safety rules, employment laws, statutory sick and maternity pay, product safety markings and plan-ning and building controls were the most disliked. Francis Maude, head of the deregulation unit, said the

for business and that it would help people to cross "a psychological threshold" to take on more staff. He conceded. however, his proposition was

not "scientifically provable". He believed that fear of industrial tribunals was hindering many people from taking on new staff.

Michael Heseltine, the Deputy Prme Minister, launching the task force annual report, said deregulation was a government priority. "We are tackling outdated regulations and making the necessary

ones simpler and easier to comply with," he said. Margaret Beckett, the Shadow Trade and Industry Secretary, said the consultation exercise was an indication of the Government's "continual

drive to cut standards" and she accused Mr Heseltine of 'gesture politics". John Monks, TUC General Secretary, said that ending such employment rights would be the thin end of the wedge: "Basic rights to fair treatment cannot depend on

the number of employees a

firm happens to employ."

were also relaxed yesterday, Ministers decided there should be no requirement for liquor prizes in raffles to be The Government has also decided to help charitable trusts by removing restric-

Rules on raffling bottles of

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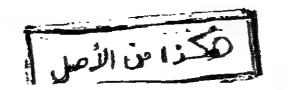
tions on where they can invest and there was a commitment to reduce the number of government forms and survevs for some small firms. Paperwork will also be reduced for employers on PAYE and National Insurance.

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# Labour's 'definite maybe' arouses Maclennan's suspicion

appeared in the ranks of the constitutional reformers - between pragmatists and enthusiasts. Tony Blair and Liberal Democrats such as Menzies Campbell are in the first group, while Robin Cook and Robert Maclennan, the Liberal Democrat president, are in the second. Both accept the need to reform the way Britain is governed. Their difference is over the pace of

Some Tories believe that constitutional reform is the issue on which a Blair government could

new, and so far largely unappreciated, division has and returning to office quickly. They argue that the reformers plans are inherently flawed and will clog up the legislative programme. Arguments over the House of Lords and devolution will inevitably be prolonged just as they were in the late 1960s and late 1970s. Under existing parliamentary conventions, the detailed committee debates on such measures are on the floor of the Commons. Labour has proposed legislation on devolution for London and the English regions as well as Scotland and Wales, a freedom of informa-

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pean Convention on Human Rights into British law, plus House of Lords reform. so constitutional measures could take up much of Parliament's time.

The pragmatists are worried about such indigestion. They fear that the momentum for change could be lost and that supporters of any reforming government would want to see a lengthy economic and social agenda implemented. To avoid these dangers, Mr Blair

enthusiasts. That is the real reason why three months ago he proposed a two question pre-referendum on Scottish devolution. He has not watered down his support for devolution but he does not want any repetition of the endless detes of 20 years ago. His proposal for a two question pre-referendum is not intended to impede devolution but to make it easier to get the necessary legislation through the Commons if the Scottish people first vote for the principle and for such a parliament to have taxraising powers. Of course, even this

easier to pass if public support had

The Blairites believe that other reforms should not be too time consuming. A deal with the Tories may be possible on removing the voting rights of hereditary peers by making the active ones life peers as an interim measure. The other Bills should be less controversial.

The enthusiasts are suspicious. Mr Madennan yesterday described Labour's commitment as "a definite maybe". He believes that piecemeal reform is not enough and that a comprehensive seniement is required: devolution has

Commons. Mr Macleman has put forward a Constitutional Declaration, to be debated today, setting out a timetable. This would start with an omnibus Reform Bill in 1997-98, providing for changes in the Commons and Lords and fixed terms for Parliament, reform of voting, devolution and a Bill of Rights. This would lead over seven years to a written constitution. To avoid a plethora of referendums, leading Liberal Democrats are discussing the idea of a Democracy Day when the public could vote on these plans and a single currency.

Achieving even part of this

programme would require big changes to Commons procedure if avoided. Mr Maclennan recognises that. Like some Labour enthusiasts, he believes that, as with finance Bills, only the key points of principle in constitutional Bills should be dealt with on the floor of the Commons with the rest being considered by a standing committee. That alone will prove to be highly contentious. I can already hear the warnings of the pragmatists: don"t rush and, first, establish public support for change.

PETER RIDDELL

# Rodgers provokes anger with call for tactical voting

LIBERAL DEMOCRAT tensions over the party's links with Labour were heightened again yesterday when a senior peer recommended tactical voting in certain seats.

Lord Rodgers of Quarry Bank, a former Labour Cabinet minister and co-founder of the SDP, urged Liberal Democrats to support Labour if that offered the best prospect of defeating a sitting Tory MP. He was heckled by party members who accused him of threatening Liberal Democrat chances of a breakthrough at the general election.

Lord Rodgers's call reignited the internal dispute over the party's relationship with Labour, an issue that has become a pivotal part of Liberal Democrat strategy in the run-up to the election. Paddy Ashdown indicated that the two opposition parties will co-operate on some policies after the election, but he insisted that Labour must

move towards his party. Today Mr Ashdown will try to quell disquiet over potential links with Labour by telling activists to campaign on the clear differences between the two. In his conference speech, he will contrast the "consistency, clarity and distinctiveness" of Liberal Democrat policy with that of Labour.

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triotic. He will point to his own background as a Royal Marine to underline his personal sense of patriotism and will portray the Liberal Democrats

as the "truly patriotic" party. The Liberal Democrats are prepared for heavy Tory criticism of their pro-European stance as the election approaches, but Mr Ashdown will emphasise that the party's position is aimed at securing the best future for Britain by working closely with our European partners. The issue of cross-party co-

operation threatened to dominate the opening day of the conference after Mr Ashdown said it was "possible" that his party would back a Labour government and Lord Rodgers made his comments. Lord Rodgers told a fringe meeting: "I have to say I hope there will be a significant amount of tactical voting in trate his fire on Tory attempts not an active Liberal Democertainly say to the others of this country: vote to get rid of this Government; vote Liberal Democrat as a first preference but vote Labour if that is the best way of doing so."

He insisted that tactical voting would also benefit Liberal Democrats, increasing the party's total number of seats and leading to a government of the centre-left representing about 60 per cent of the electorate. Earlier, in an interview with

BBC Radio 4's Today programme, Mr Ashdown indicated that he was prepared to co-operate with Labour if he felt it would benefit the country. "I'm in politics to do things," he said. "If I wanted to be a Cabinet minister I probably wouldn't have been a Liberal Democrat. I'm a Liberal Democrat because there are things I believe in that I want to put into practice, that I think are good for our

country. "If working with others, because they've come to agree with us, delivers those things, and is good for Britain, then I'll do it."

However, Mr Ashdown's conciliatory tone was not matched by Donald Dewar, Labour's Chief Whip, who said that he did not expect to need the support of the Liberal described as "an important



# Cardigans give way to bright young suits

BY ALICE THOMSON POLITICAL REPORTER

THE Liberal Democratic Party, once the preserve of middle-aged men in sandals and cardigans, has been

hijacked by the young.

The new species at the party conference in Brighton would not disgrace London fashion week. At the party's youth raily women could be seen in chocolate brown suits, lacey tights and knee high boots. The men wore orange and lime green shirts and Paul Smith ties with their suits. Young voters, increasingly turned off by the Tories and Labour, are among the under-30s has doubled in two years to 5,000, and unlike Labour,

The new members say they are attracted to the Liberal Democrats because of their radical "left-wing" policies on the environment, education and tax, their pro-European stance. They say that the party is the only one that allows any kind of mature debate. Many have been recruited from university fresher

Whereas young Labour members have to toe Tony Blair's party line, the Liberal Democrats are allowed to discuss turning the Queen and ber corgis out of Buckingham Palace and roll his own joints. They want to lower to 16 and to allow 17-year-olds to stand for Parliament

At their rally yesterday, student Liberal Democrats made it clear that they loathe the smugness of new Labour with its mobile telephones and establishment attitude and will not tolerate any cosying up to Mr Biair. The also ridiculed the party's attempts to recruit them in nightclubs such as the Ministry of Sound in London. They dismissed the Young Conservatives as friendless misfits in

Alex Wilcock, a typical young Liberal Democrat in sloganed T-shirt and all-star trainers, said: "Young party for the social life and they certainly don't want to watch middleaged politicians condescending to dance with them. They now join a

party for debate." Mr Ashdown addressed the rally, shirt sleeves rolled up, and encouraged them to "get a hangover and cause havoe". But most appeared more interested in getting council seats and jobs with the animal rights

Paul Elgood, from Brighton and Hove, said: "I don't want to be a member of a party that is dictated to by the unions and big business. Nor do I want a repeat of Margaret Thatcher, and Tony Blair is already stepping into her shoes. You only Clare Short to realise he will be a

# Activists back commitment to Europe

BRITAIN must become a "candid friend" to her Eurofounder member of economic and monetary union, the Liberal Democrats said

Charles Kennedy, the party's European spokesman, said that he wanted to see a decentralised Europe with

Britain playing a constructive. committed and central role. Malcolm Bruce, the Treasury spokesman, emphasised the need for a single European

The party leadership is keen to push its pro-Europe credentials this week and ridicule Tory party disunity. The conference backed a call for a

commitment for Britain to be "at the heart of Europe". But divisions in the party

were already appearing yes-terday with MPs showing their Euro-scepticism at fringe meetings. Nick Harvey, the trade and industry spokesman, said the British people had yet to be convinced about expressed concern at a European Central Bank having control over mortgage rates.

Mr Bruce contradicted him, saying: "The benefit we will gain from economic and monetary union is a great degree of stability, lower interest rates, lower inflation and access to

# Bruce wants to give voters a say in tax policy



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TAXPAYERS would be given the chance to vote on controversial Budget measures under Liberal Democrat plans to create a "Tax Contract" with the public.

The party would like voters to play an active role in government decision-making, with ministers being forced to disclose more detail of spending and taxation plans. Voters would be able to put forward their views on specific tax and spending changes before a Budget, through postal quesendum" or a network of publicly accessible computers

linked to the Treasury. Taxpayers would also be sent annual statements setting out precise spending and tax-ation changes. The statements, similar to those on council tax spending, would set out the proportion of money spent by individual government departments and would clarify tax changes introduced in the previous

Malcolm Bruce, the Liberal Democrat Treasury spokesman, said that the consultation would not apply to central economic policy but to tax changes "on the margins". such as the Liberal Democrat proposal to increase duty on tobacco to fund the reintroduction of free dental and eye checks. Ministers would not be bound by the consultation but "it would not make sense to ignore public opinion".

Mr Bruce accused Labour

and the Tories of deceiving the

voters on tax and challenged

Labour to commit itself to

Tony Blair: last year I invited you to join us in the lobbies to vote down tax cuts, to vote for investment in education. You didn't have the guts to do that then. Will you have the guts to do it this year?" Mr Bruce said that if this

ar's Budget did not provide E2 billion more for education and was not consistent with responsible economic management "be in no doubt, we will vote against tax cuts this He emphasised the Liberal

Democrat commitment to raising tax to 50p for those earning more than £100,000 to fund the removal of 750,000 low earners from taxation. The other parties are practising a deception on taxes. They know it, we know it, the media know it and the electorate know it. Frankly, Labour dares not speak the truth and is determined to be nowhere to the left of the Tories."

He went on: "The real danger for the country is that Tony Blair wouldn't make any difference. We may not be the official Opposition in the House of Commons, but in the battle of ideas with the Tories we have become the only

opposition." Mr Bruce said the Liberal Democrats had no "ideological objection" to lower taxes if they could be afforded. But he criticised John Major for saying last week that the Tories' tax cuts were "moral". Mr Bruce said that it could not be moral to cut overseas aid, freeze again the pay of public sector workers and let schools

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# West keeps anxious eye on the secretive machinations in Moscow



Chubais: increasing his

STABILITY is the overwhelming Western interest in Russia. The fear in the West is that President Yeltsin's prolonged absence will fuel the Kremlin power struggle and, until an unchallenged successor emerges, it will be hard for Western leaders to do business with Mos-cow or predict Russian behaviour.

This worry, however, is tempered by two important factors — that those running the Government and the Kremlin in Mr Yeltsin's absence are men closely associated with reform, and that there seems

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little likelihood of a return to Communism. Since the Communists' defeat in June's elections, the party has rapidly lost credibility.
Western politicians recognise

there is little they can do to avoid a power struggle or to influence the outcome. They are, therefore, careful not to make clear their preference for any possible Yeltsin successor. "Of course we are comfortable with Viktor Chemomyrdin; but he is not the only person who could ensure stability." one

that Anatoli Chubais, the Kremlin chief of staff, was long one of the leading advocates of privatisation and economic reform, and was now

increasing his grip on power. Western analysts say the Russian economy and reform process now has enough momentum to continue without a strong Government. As long as President Yeltsin is nominally in control, sudden changes of policy - both domestic and foreign - are unlikely. If he were to die, however, there would have to be a presidential election within three cy disagreements.
The West's priority is to work out

a new relationship between Russia and Nato, and to persuade Moscow to drop its opposition to Nato enlargement. This is likely to be difficulty, whoever has the upper hand in the Kremlin. Russian politicians across the spectrum want the West to forge a new relationship with Moscow before Nato enlargement; Western leaders are trying to negotiate the two

A power vacuum would make two pressing internal issues harder must be tackled soon: a virtual tax collection collapse has starved the Government of funds and left millions unpaid for months. The Chechenia war has underlined the poor state of military morale, competence and training.

Both these questions will preoccupy the Kremlin in the coming months," one analyst said. He saw the likely conflict between Mr Chubais, Mr Chernomyrdin and General Aleksandr Lebed as complicating decisions.

With such domestic preoccupations, Russia was unlikely to change its foreign policy, leaving a laid down by President Yeltsin and Yevgeni Primakov, the Foreign Minister - on most international

The West is relatively philosophical about the turmoil created by Mr Veltsin's ill health. The main lesson Western leaders have drawn from Russia's upheavals over the past decade is that there is little the outside world can do to influence its

political machinations. The best approach is to make clear Western interests, articulate them frequently, and show the Kremlin they will be forcefully defended if challenged.

#### Cardiac king who must be obeyed

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FROM QUENTIN LETTS IN NEW YORK

MICHAEL DEBAKEY, the veteran heart surgeon who has travelled from Texas to Moscow to assist with the treatment of President Yeltsin. is an "icon of cardiac surgery" known for taking no nonsense from patients.

He has treated the Shah of Iran, the Duke of Windsor. Tito and some of the most single-minded moguls of American business. All have learnt to do what they were told by the mild-mannered but determined doctor.

Dr DeBakey will not take up the knife himself — at 88 he is too old for that. Instead he will attend consultations as doctors decide whether to operate on the gravely ill Mr

The Russian medical team is led by Renat Akchurin, who like Christiaan Barnard, the South African heart surgery pioneer, studied under Dr DeBakey at Baylor Medical Centre, Texas. Dr Akchurin called his mentor "the Leo Tolstoy of the medical world".

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Dennis Breo of the American Medical Association. who knows Dr DeBakey well, said yesterday: "He is a legend in heart surgery and is uniquely equipped to deal with highprofile patients. There is no kidding around with someone like DeBakey." President Yeltsin is a notoriously difficult patient - he went boar hunting and duck shooting last week, despite pleas from his doctors that he rest - bu in Dr DeBakey he may have

met his match. Dr DeBakey has not taken to Moscow his usual team of surgical assistants and he arrives late to the case. Mr Breo suspects that Dr DeBakey's presence could have political undertones. "If something goes wrong and Yeltsin dies, they can say that they had the best person in the world there - and an American, to boot."

## **Absence of** Yeltsin will trigger bitter scramble for supremacy FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN MOSCOT IT MAY have happened near-KREMLIN

ly 400 years ago, but Russians still recall with apprehension the era known as "The Time of Troubles", when the Tsar's throne lay empty and the country was at the mercy of seven treacherous noblemen. With President Yeltsin again confined to hospital a sense of foreboding has gripped the country that the

noblemen may be back. The fear today is not that Moscow will be sold out to Poland, as it was in the early 17th century, but that in the absence of a strong figure the nation could be plunged into a new period of chaos as leading

figures scramble for power. President Yeltsin's functions have been divided between three figures whose rivairies are common knowledge and whose duties often overlap.

Viktor Chernomyrdin, the Prime Minister, occupies potentially the most important position. He has already taken charge of the so-called "power ministries", responsible for defence, intelligence and law enforcement. When President Yeltsin has his bypass surgery, Mr Chernomyrdin will also take control of Russia's nuclear arsenal. In the event of the Kremlin leader's death, he will take over as head of state until fresh elections are held.

The stout former head of Russia's huge gas industry has impressed Western goverruments with his solid performance, but at home there are doubts that he has the will or charisma to take charge.

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That has never been a problem for his main rival, General Aleksandr Lebed, who is hungry for power, and

both charismatic and popular. As he proved during his peace mission to Chechenia, the former paratroop general can get things done, but he lacks the authority to act alone.

By contrast. Anatoli Chubais, the President's chief of staff, is arguably the most powerful man in Russia today. He controls the machinery of the Kremlin administration and draws up the decrees which are then signed by the Russian leader on his sickbed. However, Mr Chubeis's power hangs by a thread. He remains deeply mistrusted and the moment President Yeltsin leaves power, his enemies will pounce.

Other key figures may emerge in the coming weeks. Yuri Luzhkov, the dynamic Mayor of Moscow, has signalled that his ambitions stretch far beyond the municipality. Gennadi Zyuganov, who came second in July's presidential elections, has made it clear that he is ready to fight all comers.

For the time being the forces are evenly-balanced and an outright grab for power seems unlikely. However, politics move quickly in Russia and it is inconceivable, given recent history, that the present status quo will remain if the Russian leader stays absent from office for months on end.

Already there are signs of impending crises in several sectors, from industrial strikes to the threat of renewed conflict in Chechenia.

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#### Michael DeBakey, the US heart surgeon, right, is met in Moscow yesterday by Yevgeni Chazov, head of the Cardiological Research Centre 'Rasputin' plots his

comeback Moscow: General Aleksandr Korzhakov, Boris Yeltsin's one-time "Rasputin" who was sacked as the head of the presidential security service, is reported to have enlisted the help of the new security chief, General Aleksandr Lebed, in an attempt to return to politics (Thomas de Waal writes).

General Korzhakov went to Vladivostok to support the embattled local Governor against the new Kremlin administration. He then hinted that this could be the warm-up for an attempt to win a parliamentary seat left vacant by General Lebed, who had to quit the State Duma to serve in the Kremlin. General Lebed told CNN last week: "I will help him, if he wants me to."

#### Doctor's pessimism makes sense THE pessimism of Dr Renat Akchurin about the state of President Yeltsin's health may have angered and em-barrassed the Kremlin, but it EDICAL BRIEFING

makes sound clinical sense. As Dr Akchurin said, there President having had a third heart attack during the election because there is obvious evidence for it in the presidential ECG. The doctor's assessment was made only after

days of careful investigations. Dr Akchurin will not only have had the advantage of seeing X-rays of the President's coronary arteries, but probably will have also carried out thallium scanning. In a thallium scan, the rate at which the radioactive thallium perfuses through the heart muscle demonstrates the state of the heart's blood supply and the amount of the

replaced by scar tissue after the heart attacks. With the help of an echo cardiogram Dr Akchurin will have been able to watch the heart at work and see how each of its

chambers copes with maintaining the circulation. The doctor has also talked about end organ damage. By that he means that the President's circulation after the three heart attacks may have been too feeble to have kept the kidneys, and possibly the liver and gastro-intestinal tract. working efficiently. Intellectual prowess can also be

diminished by oxygen lack if heart failure results in the blood being poorly oxygenated. Perhaps the most common who have had much of their heart muscle destroyed as the result of coronary heart disease are renal failure and pulmonary congestion - "flu-

id on the lungs The best time to carry out surgery in cases of coronary arterial disease is before the first heart attack and while the muscle is undamaged. A bypass operation done a year or two ago might have inter-fered with Mr Yeltsin's battle

to keep political power, but now he may, by neglecting his health earlier, be too ill to enjoy the presidency. The surgeon will certainly want to wait for another month or two before operating, so as to give the heart more time to recover Recent research has shown

gery done at the time of, or soon after, a heart attack does not have such a good prognosis. It has been estimated that after three heart attacks the mortality rate will be about 10 per cent. However, that assumes there are no other adverse (eatures about the case, and Mr Yeltsin's condition seems to proffer several additional problems.

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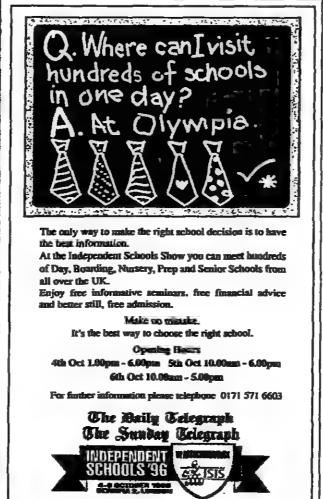
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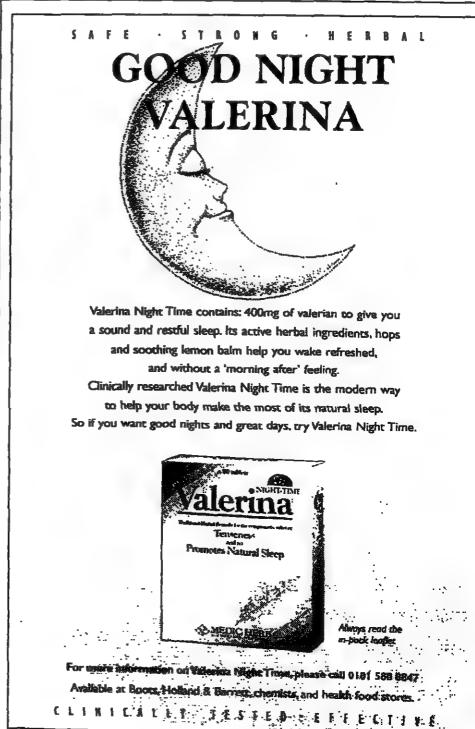
ident. Levon Ter-Petrosian. was re-elected for another fiveyear term yesterday despite a strong finish by his main rival and former close ally, Vazgen Manukyan, in the Caucasian republic's first post-Soviet presidential election (Thomas de Waai writes). Mr Manukyan, a former

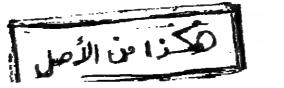
opposition candidate, fought a strong campaign and preliminary figures showed that he beat the President in the capital, Yerevan. However, Mr Ter-Petrosian, an ex-dissident whose style is authoritarian, secured about 55 per cent of the vote overall, giving him victory in the first round.



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# Fifty names face £1m writs as Lloyd's gets tough



Holden: relentless pursuit of non-payers

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BY MARTIN WALLER

SERIOUS computer and

phone problems have led

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yesterday tests of such

systems had coincided

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its customers would con-

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most of the phone calls to

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cent of calls were being

accepted by engineers, British Gas admitted, and

the problem was contin-

Bob Frazer, operations director, said the three

centres accounted for about 40 per cent of the

customers holding Ser-

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ers Council director, said

British Gas was underest-

imating the extent of the problems. "The service business has collapsed. It's

never been as bad as this, and we've been through

some pretty bad times with British Gas," he said. The council, engaged in a battle with Whitehall

over funding, had to close

its London office after

being swamped with calls

from angry consumers, he

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By JON ASHWORTH

AT LEAST 50 Lloyd's names are to be pursued for more than £1 million each in a dramatic hardening of attitude by authorities at Lloyd's of London. The names, thought to include well-known personalities in the UK and North America, face total financial ruin in the clampdown, which will see bank accounts frozen and lead to the seizure of homes and assets,

The names of the personalities involved are to be disclosed early next month, when the first batch of 200 writs will be lodged at the High Court in London. Lloyd's is seeking £500 million from 1,850 names, most of whom are in the UK, America and Canada. The names are the last of the "diehards" who refused to accept the £3.2

billion settlement offer aimed at ending litigation and allowing Lloyd's to make a

Philip Holden, head of the financial recovery department at Lloyd's, said nonpayers would be pursued relentlessly. Mr Holden, seconded to Lloyd's from Dibb Lupton Broomhead, the law firm, has written to names, asking them how they propose to finance their obligations. For those who do not respond, a seven day final warning will follow on October 1. On the eighth day, the first 200 writs will be issued.

Mr Holden said non-payers had seen their debts rise dramatically because of their refusal to pay. He said: "If they had accepted the settlement offer and received the benefits of the credits to which they were entitled, the overall debt would have

been somewhere in the region of £100 an average of £395,000 each. Mr Holden million. They've actually given away £400 said: "The Canadians are simply refusing million of benefits by virtue of their nonacceptance. There are now in excess of 50 people who now have a bill of more than El million. That bill, at the most for those members, would have been £100,000 after [in addition to] their funds at Lloyd's. And that bill for £1 million is after their funds at Lloyd's anyway. So like for like, they've given away some £900,000 worth of

The first test cases are due in the UK courts by Christmas. Those affected include 670 names in the UK (owing £150 million), 655 in America (owing £180 million), and 253 in Canada. The Canadian names pose the greatest potential problem for Lloyd's, owing £100 million -

to come to the table, and unfortunately they're going to lose, and they're going to lose their homes and their houses.

Lloyd's is seeking to become more commercial in its approach. Mr Holden said: "On an ethical basis, people who've paid expect others to be pursued. Commercially, we need to recover this money. We can't have half a billion pounds worth of debt lying out there without making sure we recover as much as possible as quickly as possible.

☐ Michael Deeny, a prominent Lloyd's campaigner, has hit out at weekend reports that said he was in line for a £500,000 success fee. The money is to be split between at least 20 people, he said.

**UK** faces

disruption

on EMU

planning

By ROBERT MILLER

THE UK economy faces seri-

ous disruption if the Govern-

ment fails to make a clear

decision on whether it will participate in the process of

European Monetary Union

(EMU) after other Govern-

ments have made their choice.

the British Bankers' Associ-

ation (BBA) spells out the dangers of indecision. It says: "A UK decision to participate de-

layed beyond early 1998, but

with a changeover still due for completion by 2002, could be highly discussive for all sectors

of the economy and expose UK financial institutions to real

It says those most in danger

from a delayed decision could

be retailers and motor manu-facturers, which deal with

numerous payment methods

businesses will need Euro facilities even if the UK does

not participate. Depending on

the scale of such transactions from 1999 onwards, there could be significant implica-

tions for payment systems," it

Tim Sweeney, BBA director-general, says that whether or

not the UK joins EMU should

not affect the wholesale money

and derivatives markets or

London's position at the centre

of global trading, so long as there is a clear statement of

The report, compiled in

conjunction with the Associ-

ation for Payment Clearing

Services and London Invest-

ment Banking Association, concludes that UK financial

markets will be prepared for EMU "but it is essential that

they continue with thorough

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and timely preparation."

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#### Sainsbury expands **US** stores

London close ..... \$381.15 (381.75)

J SAINSBURY, the supermarket chain, is further expanding its American operation at a cost of \$52 million (Martin Barrow writes).

Shaw's Supermarkets, Sainsbury's US subsidiary, is buying 12 stores and two sites from Royal Ahold, the Dutch company. Ahold is required to dispose of the outlets by the Federal Trade Commission following its acquisition of the Stop & Shop retail chain.

All the stores are in Connecticut, except for one in Rhode Island, Shaw's opened its first store in Connecticut in September 1995 and now has five in the state. The acquisition will make Shaw's the state's

second-largest operator.
Ian Coull, Shaw's chairman, said: "We are very pleased to acquire these stores in prime locations where it would have been difficult to

expand organically."

At end-March, Shaw's traded from 96 outlets in America. In the year to March Sainsbury's US operations earned profits of £51 million (£40 million) before tax.

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# Rate fears hit markets

By George Sivell and Richard Thomson

STOCK MARKETS across Europe and America fell sharply yesterday in anticipation of a rise in US interest rates when the Federal Open Market Com-mittee meets today. If the Fed acts, it would be

the first American interest rate rise since the last wave of increases ended in January

The debate on either side of the Atlantic is now over whether interest rate rises would help to control any emerging inflationary pressures or spoil the prospects of further economic growth. Similarly, market watchers wonder whether the strong market performances seen this year mark the end of the London will continue outperforming New York (see chart).

The FT-SE 100 fell back from last week's record levels to close at 3919.7, down 44.4 on the day. The Dow Jones industrial average fell 53 points soon after opening but recovered a little to show a fall of 31 points at 5,857 in early afternoon trading. In Frank-furt, the Dax index fell 19.06 points to close at 2,627.04, and in Paris the CAC-40 index

closed down 12.37 at 2,067.09. Kenneth Clarke, the Chanceflor, and Eddie George, Governor of the Bank of England, held their monthly meeting on monetary policy at the Treasury yesterday after-noon. The meeting lasted less than an hour but, as usual, no official indication was given of

the discussions. It is expected, however, that the Chancellor will have continued to resist calls by Mr George for higher interest rates. But market professionals will be watching the Bank of pany is hiring extra phone England's money market operations this morning for any signs of an interest rate move. Government bonds also fell

sharply yesterday, with the December short sterling futures contract 0.01 lower on the day at 94.05., indicating a

three-month libor and base rate of 5.95 per cent towards the end of the year, against 5.75 per cent at present.

Don Smith, economist at HSBC Markets, said: "It would be a complete surprise if there was a change in UK rates today, and the markets would react badly to a further casing

In America it has emerged that eight of the 12 regional Fed bank chairmen have called for a rate increase, and Alan Greenspan, the central bank chairman, may give in to avoid a revolt. However, the meeting looks set to be one of the most contentious for a long time, coming only two months before the Presidential election and in the face of conflicting iformation bout ti

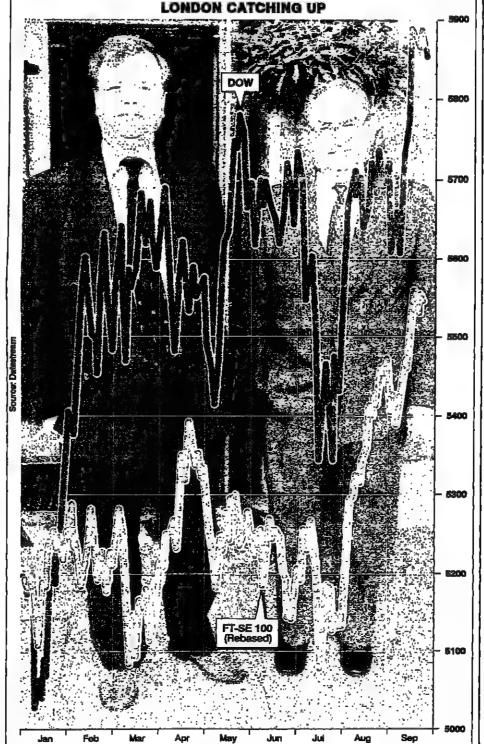
economy.

The New York stock market sees the decision as symbolic of the Fed's monetary stance for the next few months. Even a small hike in rates from 5.25 per cent to 5.5 per cent would cause dismay on Wall Street and in the White House because it would signal a monetary tightening that could bring to an end the prolonged bull market which pushed the Dow to new highs

The Federal Open Market Committee meeting is already surrounded by controversy after a leak last week that the majority of regional Fed presidents want a rate rise. It is now being investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. But many Wall Street analysts believe the leak was a deliberate tactic by the Fed to prepare the markets for a rate rise at such a senstitive time.

The Fed usually tries to avoid interest rate movements so close to an election for fear of influencing politics. It has only once before raised interest rates so close to an election. in 1980, when Jimmy Carter lost the presidency.

Jobs boost urged, page 28 Janet Bush, page 31



# **Chandos goes from Chrysalis**

By Eric Reguly

THE boardroom row at Chrysalis intensified yesterday when Viscount Chandos followed Sir David Puttnam's lead and resigned. His departure reduces the number of non-executive directors from three to one and puts more pressure on Chris Wright, chairman and chief executive, to relinquish some management control over the media and entertainment group.

Viscount Chandos said he resigned because he felt Mr Wright considered the non-executive directors as little more than an "imposition". In a letter to Mr Wright, he said: "I have rejuctantly concluded I no longer have sufficient confidence either in the information and communication available to the nonexecutive directors or in your receptiveness to advice"

In particular, he cited the apparent unwillingness of Mr Wright, who owns about 43 per cent of the company, to appoint a group man-

Mr Wright said he had not called off the executive search and hoped to appoint a managing director or a chief operating officer soon. "It has not been easy finding the right person," he said.

# Berisford slumps on warning

By Christine Buckley, industrial correspondent dismissed, has halved its dispatches

AN INDUSTRIAL dispute costing E3.5 million and weak demand in the US were yesterday blamed by Berisford, the kitchens, doors and food equipment company, for a profit warning that wiped 27 per cent off its value.

A strike which started late last month at the Magnet kitchen factory in Darlington, and during which 300 employees have been

of kitchens. In addition Berisford reported an unexpected downturn in demand for fast-food equipment produced by Welbilt, its US operation. This, the company said, would knock a further £2.6 million from

The share price slumped 40½ p to 106p as Berisford predicted full-year profits to the end of this month of

around £25 million. Analysts had been tipping £33 million. Alan Bowkett, chief executive. said kitchen dispatches would be

back to normal by November.

Berisford said it expected to propose a final dividend of 3p, taking the total to 4.5p against the 3p total in 1995.

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John Stuart Mills

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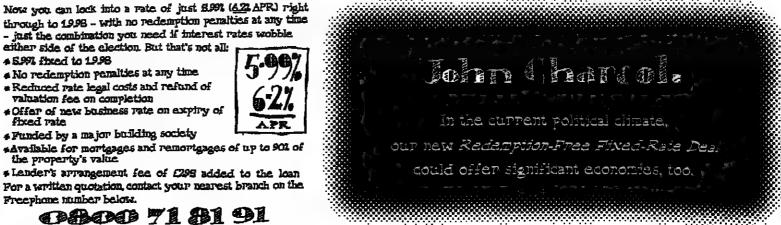
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#### **Broadbent** resigns at BWD

Christopher Broadbent yesterday resigned as chief executive of BWD Securities, the Leeds-based financial services group, in what was blamed on a difference of opinion over strategy.

Mr Broadbent, 40, had spent most of his working ife with BWD Securities. Michael Burns, managing director of BWD Rensburg, its stockbroking subsidiary, has taken on the additional role of group chief executive.

Mr Burns attributed Mr Broadbent's departure to a difference of opinion on strategy, and said that there was no question of any financial wrongdoing.

Mr Burns said that he would hold dual roles for the time being. The shares were unchanged at 105 2 p.

#### Bus inquiry

The Monopolies and Mergers Commission is to review the £96 million takeover by FirstBus, the UK's largest bus operator, of SB Holdings, of Glasgow. after competition fears.

#### Not so merry

Merrydown, the drinks company, is cutting the alcohol content of its three most popular ciders, Origi-nal, Vintage and Pulse, from 8.4 per cent to 7.5 per cent to escape a rise in duty on ciders above 7.6 per cent.

#### TOURIST RATES

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Rodger Booth, left, chairman of Bemrose Corporation, and Keith Taylor, managing director, reported a rise in interim pre-tax profits to £3.9 million, from £3.2 million. The company, owner of Letts Diaries, is paying an interim dividend of 5.35p (4.85p). Bemrose said British Airways and Royal Mail had awarded contracts

# Construction leaders seek Budget to boost jobs

BY PHILLIP BASSETT INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

CONSTRUCTION industry leaders yesterday called on Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor, to include in the Budget a five-point package of measures - including the creation of a Tessa, specifically for home improvements - which they claim would create more than 100,000 jobs.

Building industry leaders said that confidence in construction and throughout industry was low, leading to low

BY ERIC REQULY

SCHOLL has announced a

restructuring that will see the

company sell non-core assets

to concentrate on footwear and

footcare brands. A £29.4 mil-

lion charge is being taken to

finance the overhaul, and no

fewer than 200 of the compa-

ny's 1,700 jobs will disappear.

Stuart Wallis, Scholl's new

investment levels, and called on the Chancellor to act to boost both.

Britain's principal business bodies publicly unveil their Budget proposals this week. Leaders of the free market Institute of Directors will today call for tight control of public spending, while the Confederation of British Industry will tomorrow press for the UK's economic gains not to be jeopardised for short-term electoral reasons.

Scholl unveils £29m overhaul

chairman, said that business-

es ranging from personal

hygiene products to cosmetics

The disposals represent 12-15

per cent of Scholl's annual turnover of £207 million. Scholl

also plans to reduce the

number of European divisions

from five to two. Mr Wallis

said: "A very clear strategy is

now in place, focusing on the

The Construction Industry Employers' Council, drawing

will be sold.

struction companies' business groups, said action to help the industry would help the British economy more generally.

Martin Laing, the council's chairman, said: "Despite steady, albeit slow, growth in the economy since 1992, confidence has not yet returned to British industry, which is why investment levels are still lower than in the 1980s."

Mr Laing, chairman of John Laing Construction, added: "With construction accounting for about half the UK's total

Scholl brand. It is our major

strength and we shall pro-

rise in pre-tax profits, before

exceptional items, to £13.8

million on turnover up 8.8 per

cent. The interim dividend.

payable on November 4, rises 7.1 per cent to 3p.

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Scholl reported a 17 per cent

mote it forcefully.

nearly 1.5 million people, it is in the Government's interest to act. What's good for con-struction is good for Britain."

Construction companies are proposing five main measures: Adapting Tessas to give homeowners tax incentives to save money for home improvements and maintainince.

☐ Cutting VAT for renovations and alterations to 8 per cent, which the industry says would create 60,000 jobs and increase income tax revenue for the Government.

 Four new proposals, including encouraging more institutional investors, to "put back on track" the Government's Private Finance Initiative. ☐ Scrapping proposed cuts in road maintainance.

☐ A phased release of local authority capital receipts from council house sales. Construction leaders said

that these "modest" measures would "cost very little" but, taken together with continued low interest rates, could generate more than 100,000 jobs and make a "substantial improvement" to business confidence.

> FROM RACHEL BRIDGE IN SYDNEY

LACHLAN Murdoch was yes terday made managing direc-

tor of News Ltd, the Austra-

lian arm of The News Corporation, which owns The Times. He will be responsible for

managing all News Ltd operations, which consist of newspapers, including The Austral-ian, interests in magazines and television, a stake in the

Foxtel pay television joint venture and a half stake in the

The elder son of Ruperi Murdoch, News Corp chair-

man and chief executive, Lach-

lan Murdoch joined News Ltd

in 1994 as general manager of Queensland Newspapers and

later became deputy manag-

The appointment will not

affect the role of Ken Cowley, News Ltd chairman and chief

executive, who said: "I will re-

main intimately in the busi-

ness as executive chairman . . .

as well as continuing to hold a

range of directorships. My pri-mary function will be to shape

ing director of News Ltd.

#### **BUSINESS ROUNDUP**

Union to

force

rebel bank

into line

By PHILLIP BASSETT

INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

BANKING union leaders

gave warning yesterday that they will take action under

European law to require

Lloyds TSB to introduce new

European-style works council

consultative provisions for its

employees across Europe, in-

Fiet, Europe's main white-

collar trade union body, said it

would press ahead with legal

moves to bring the bank into

line with Barclays, Midland

and NatWest by establishing a

European Works Council (EWC) for the bank.

Transnational companies

with more than 1,000 employ-

ees in the EU, and 150 in two

separate member states, had

until Sunday to bring in

voluntarily new works council

arrangements under the terms

of an EU directive which

became law on that day. Companies that do not do so

face the prospect of being required to introduce an EWC

if 100 employees, or their repre-

provision that Fiet - which has

co-ordinated works councils af-

fecting UK banks with Britain's

Banking, Insurance and Fi-

nance Union - will use with

Philip Jennings, general sec-retary of Fiet, said: "We have

now signed 20 works council

agreements with financial ser-

vices companies in Europe -

Lloyds TSB are out of step."

Lloyds TSB says that after

consulting extensively with em-

oloyees over the past year

during the merger of Lloyds

and the TSB, it was satisfied

with its internal consultative

and communication arrange-

ments and did not think an

EWC appropriate, though it

accepted the company came

under the terms of the

The bank said that it had

decided not to agree an EWC

before last Sunday's deadline, but said if EWC moves were

triggered under the directive's

terms it would consider its

Although the bank's stance

will delay the establishment of

an EWC, Lloyds TSB is unlike-

ly to avoid one being set up

Lachlan Murdoch: new post

the strategic direction of the

group's businesses at a time

when traditional media is con-

fronting its greatest challenges

from technological change

and increased competition.

Lachlan will concentrate on

managing News group opera-tions and will report to me."

"My progress through News Ltd has been made possible

because of the support of Mr

Cowley and the other execu-

tives of the News group."

Lachlan Murdoch said:

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directive's provisions.

position at that time.

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Lioyds TSB if necessary.

cluding the UK.

#### Safeway to employ **Queue Busters**

SAFEWAY, the supermarket chain, is to create the equivalent of 500 full-time jobs with the launch of a new customer care initiative dubbed Queue Busters. The part-time staff will help with the rush during the busy Christmas period and beyond. Queue Busters staff will pack bags, serve at checkouts and behind delicatessen counters, bakeries, coffee shops and kiosks. Safeway's latest £2 million scheme has been launched after successful trials in six stores in the Midlands.

Queue Busters, which will be in all stores by Christmas, forms part of a £10 million investment by the company to make shopping easier and quicker. The staff will, at quieter times, be available to answer customer queries, help parents with children or walk the store, looking for possible problems. Roger Partington, Safeway marketing director, said: Oueue Busters will really make a difference to customers by dramatically cutting the length of queues in our stores, as well as being flexible enough to 'trouble spot'

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#### Refuge merger delay

REFUGE Assurance has set a new date for an extraordinary general meeting at which shareholders will consider its proposed £1.5 billion merger with United Friendly. Thursday's meeting will be adjourned until October 16 to extend the offer timetable. Refuge is effectively offering a sweetener to shareholders in the form of a new security after a number of institutions criticised the deal's terms. They claimed the proposed merger undervalued Refuge by up to £400 million. Documents will go to shareholders before September 30.

#### **Britannia Group loss**

BRITANNIA GROUP, the construction company, incurred a pre-tax loss of £2.1 million for the six months to June 30, compared with a £274,000 profit for the period in 1995. Latest results included a £2.16 million loss from the homes division, which was sold to Bovis Homes for £10 million during the first half. Losses were 8.3p a share (earnings of lp). There is no interim dividend (0.5p) and the company said it was too early to say what the position regarding a final dividend would be.

#### **British Energy stake**

A CALIFORNIAN fund management group has amassed a 9.7 per cent stake in British Energy. Franklin Resources, which is a subsidiary of Templeton Global Investors, yesterday declared that it now has a £72 million stake in the nuclear generator on behalf of a group of holders. Chase Nominees has the largest interest of the group at 8.3 per cent of company. Franklin Resources has been an active buyer in the market of a wide range of shares over

#### **Regent Inns improves**

REGENT INNS, the public-house operator, reported an increase in pre-tax profits to £8 million from £4.4 million for the year to July 6. During the year the company opened 13 pubs, and traded from 57 outlets at the year-end. A further three sites are operated under contract. Turnover rose 44 per cent to £31.77 million. The company said operating margins rose to 26 per cent from 23 per cent. John Spencer, chairman, said the retailing climate had improved.

#### Proudfoot in the black

PROUDFOOT, the management consultant, has returned to the black, with profits of £2.52 million before tax in the six months to June 30. The company, which suffered losses of £5.79 million last time, said its £7.9 million restructuring programme ne and was exdex of £13 million. However, Malcolm Hughes, chief executive, said the full benefits would not be felt until 1997. Earnings were 9p per share (0.2p loss). There is no interim dividend.

#### T&S Stores to revamp

T&S STORES, the newsagent and convenience-store group. is to spend £50 million to transform its size and format by the turn of the century. It plans to buy 200 new outlets, convert 50 Dillona newsagents into convenience stores and sell 50 of its 200 Supercigs outlets. In the 26 weeks to June 29, pre-tax profits were £8.78 million (£8.06 million) on sales of £248 million (£217 million). Earnings were 8.36p a share (8.35p). A dividend of 3.0p (2.8p) is due on November 29.

#### Tough times for SIG

DIFFICULT markets held back profits growth at SIG, the distributor of insulation products. A contribution of ELS million by WKT Group in Germany helped to lift pre-tax profits to £14.2 million from £12.1 million, but operating profits from continuing operations were just 2 per cent higher at £13 million in the six months to June 30. The interim dividend rises to 2.4p (2p). Earnings fell to 9.6p (10.2p). The company said trading conditions are unlikely to change greatly in the second half.

#### Hospitals group ahead

COMMUNITY Hospitals Group, the operator of hospitals and nursing homes, achieved a 24.8 per cent rise in pre-tax profits, to £10.7 million, in the year to June 30. Profits from hospital services increased by 16.3 per cent, to £12.9 million, but profits from continuing care services fell by 5 per cent, to £2.4 million. Earnings per share improved to 21.8p, from 17.9p. The total dividend rises to 10p a share, from 8.8p, with a 6.6p final payout.

#### Harvey Goldsmith's group seeks new investors

# Promoter out to stage growth

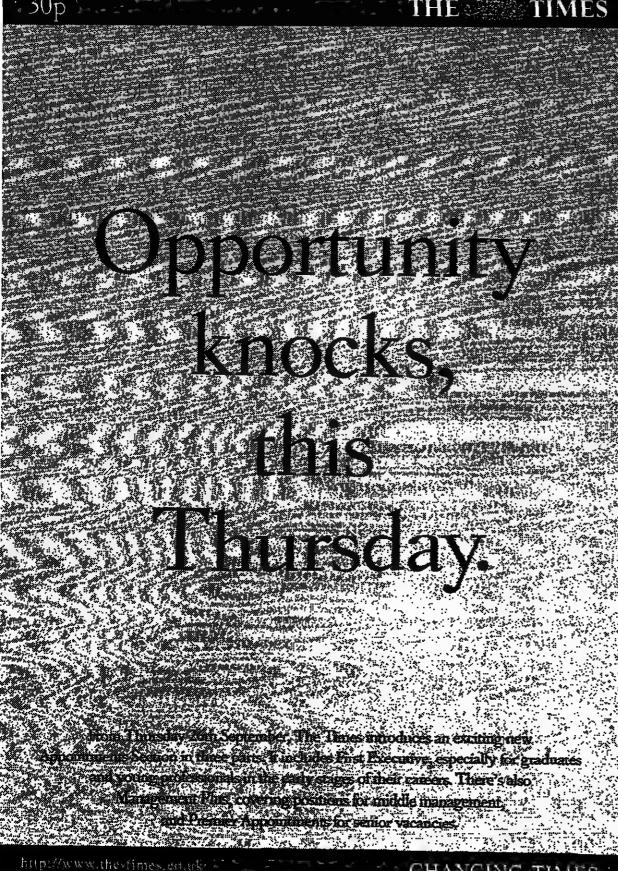


Harvey Goldsmith is eyeing expansion overseas

film starring Pierce Brosnan. Mr Simons said that the sequel was a disappointing failure", but that the original was still generating income. He declined to give details

ture early this year to acquire a 200-movie film catalogue and owns the London Leopards basketball team.

Concert promotion still accounts for more than 80 per cent of Allied's annual turnover of about £25 million and some 65 per cent of net profits.



By Eric Reguly AND JASON NISSE HARVEY GOLDSMITH, the concert promotor behind en-tertainers ranging from the Three Tenors to Bruce Springsteen, is seeking outside inves-tors to help him to expand Allied Entertainment, the entertainment and sports group that he controls with Edward Simons. It is understood that they are willing to sell control of Allied at the right price. Mr Simons, Allied chairnan, who has owned most of Allied with Mr Goldsmith, chief executive, since the mid-1980s, said that the group wants to expand in concert productions, sports franchises way would be to bring in a and film catalogues in Britain new investor into the group." and overseas, but cannot do it He denied that seeking an CHANGING TIMES alone. "We are continuously investor was triggered by looking for ways to expand losses on Allied's production of Lawnmower Man, the 1991

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vestors, saying only that many approaches had been received. It is known, however, that Allied was in negoti-ations this summer with Cap-ital Media Group of London. owner of Onyx Television, the German music channel. Capital Media and Allied are no longer considering a deal. Film catalogues and sports hold the greatest expansion potential for Allied. Mr Simons said: "The concert promotion and event business is a very mature business." Allied formed a joint ven-

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# ☐ British Gas feels the heat from consumers ☐ Lloyds TSB vague on Abbey Life benefits ☐ BBA plea on single currency

Under pressure again

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☐THE days are drawing in, there is a smell of woodsmoke in the air ... and British Gas's service business is in chaos again. The first cold snap of the winter, the population turns on the central heating for the first time since March, an unspecified number of the nation's boilers go on the blink - and the phone lines to the engineers are

jammed again. This was the disaster that was never, ever, going to happen again. Come the first cold spell of last autumn, British Gas's service side was a shambles. Consumers who had signed up for its expensive ServiceCare contracts. which guarantee a 24-hour callout service in return for a steep annual fee, discovered this promise was not being kept. Instead the company was relying on weasel wording in the contracts to avoid its obligations.

British Gas's response to the initial complaints was that there was no problem, or that any problem was localised. Then after Christmas the roof fell in. The matter became a national scandal, and the man in charge of the service side, shortly before taking an unexpected early retirement, admitted that a recurrence this winter would put the whole business in jeopardy. British Gas now admits that about 40 per cent of its contract

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fected over the past fortnight by computer and telecoms glitches. and these might have had to make two or three phone calls to

get through.
The evidence, including that from independent bodies such as the Gas Consumers Council, suggests that the situation is far, far worse, particularly in the capital where the phones are permanently blocked. The probability is that the British Gas management are unaware how bad the situation is on the ground because no one has dared tell them. This is what

happened last year, after all.
Many people have dithered since over renewing those service contracts. Some will have given the company the benefit of the doubt. If enough of these have a bad experience this winter even bad experience this winter, even more will not sign up again next year. The provision of gas service on demand to three million households, coping with the inevitable seasonal peaks, is an enormously difficult business. It is only made more difficult if disaffected consumers are grad-

ually drifting away.
On the really big issues, those

that threaten the survival of British Gas as a whole, the **PENNINGTON** omens are currently good. The North Sea take or pay contracts

setting up in the gas service

business who are happy to take on the work. If British Gas cannot do the job properly, it should get out once and for all.

☐ A THOROUGH-GOING cynic might wonder whether the decision by Lloyds TSB not to opt

for a European-style works coun-cil with which to discuss every

management initiative might in

some way be related to the large

number of sackings that are

likely to follow the snapping up of Lloyds Abbey Life. It is an easy

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assumption to make, if not an entirely fair one because Lloyds, sorry Lloyds TSB, is going to have a works council foisted on it anyway if the bulk of the workforce so choose. Sir Brian Pitman, aka Pitman the Hitman for his views on the

coming shake-out of financial services, was in guarded mood over the number of those job losses. But he was keen to play up the financial advantages, and you do not save £50 million a year by persuading a few old buffers to spend more time with their golf clubs. All concerned squashed suggestions that the Abbey Life insurance business might be sold on - one previously named buyer, a bewildered BAT industries, said it

was not even aware the business was for sale. This, then, leaves enormous areas of overlap.

Lloyds Abbey Life has a life and pensions business that over-laps with the bank's Black Horse brand; both are in estate agencies and property services. There was much waffle yesterday about streamlining benefits through distribution and technology, but the real savings will come from the back office admin-istration that services the brands, and that means people. Less obvious is what will happen to those brands, Lloyds was admitting to some ration-alisation as the less attractive fall by the wayside and the better ones are emphasised. The process is already under way elsewhere in financial services -

D-POLITICIAN opens mouth" is about as eye-catching as "man bites dog" outside the silly world of Westminster, which is why the City has viewed the endless will look at the streamlining going on within BAT itself, and the boost being given to Threadneedle Asset Management. But Lloyds was also talking about the crewe, won't we" over EMU with little interest. The British Bankers' Association has now usefully summed up the view of the financial community thus: we ation of new brands, which looks don't care what you do, but for an uphill task unless you happen

God's sake make your minds up. to be called Richard Branson and The BBA's main conclusions are prepared to put your name to are fairly anodyne — London to anything. The experience of the survive as a world financial recent past, pace Direct Line and centre regardless, plenty of

a few specialist insurers, was

that the consumer tends to shun

the new in favour of any old and

barnacle-entrusted name, what-

ever its track record - are you listening, Prudential? This is the

whole point behind such finan-

cial services mergers, putting dynamic management like that at Lloyds in charge of selling products the public trusts that

may not in the past have had the stewardship they deserved.

Time to get EMU

stance airborne

preparation under way, and so on. The real concern lies in the detail. A decision that is pushed much beyond early 1998, less than two years from now, "could be highly disruptive for all sectors of the economy and expose UK financial institutions to real competitive dis-advantage", the BBA concludes. In other words, we can dither for as long as our continental part-ners, but no longer. If Frankfurt or Paris are ready before London, London will suffer.

#### Panic attack

☐ HINDSIGHT is a wonderful thing. PDFM, the former Phillips & Drew and the foremost bear in the market today with a fifth of its money in cash, ahead of a feared market collapse, has made great play of its ability to call the market right in earlier crashes. Ahead of the 1987 crash, we had significantly lower equity holdings than industry averages," the fund manager said last week in its defence. How strange, then, to see a copy of some equity research, dated October 1, 1987. "The FTA All-Share is now within a whisker of its all-time peak," it says, "and the market looks more soundly based than the last time it reached these heights." Phillips & Drew, no less, headlined the

# Inchcape ready to close sale

BY PAUL DURMAN

INCHCAPE, the Toyota distribution group that cut its dividend six months ago, is close to completing the sale of

its testing services business.

Philip Cushing, who took over as chief executive in March, said the sale, which has been expected for some time, had been held up by the amount of detailed work made necessary by the 140 separate operating subsidiaries within the testing business.

The testing arm, which tests electronic equipment, is likely

#### Alpha to get £6.8m from sale

ALPHA AIRPORTS will receive £6.8 million when it sells the US arm of its catering business, has been heavily loss-making since losing an important contract with British Airways last year (Paul Durman writes).

Alpha is hanging on to the recently opened catering operation at Sanford International Airport in Florida, since this is tied in with the retail concession and ground-handling service that Alpha runs there.

But the kitchens at JFK. Newark, Miami and Orlando airports are being transferred to Flying Food Group of Chicago. Flying Food will also pay Alpha the value of the inventory of the US business. Alpha will retain its net working capital of about £3.2

Stuart Siddall, Alpha's finance director, said that until last autumn British Airways represented 50 per cent of the US business. Excluding Sanford. Alpha recorded losses of £3.3 million in the US last year on sales of £20.8

to fetch about £380 million. It was one of Inchcape's strongest performers in the first half, lifting operating profits by 37 per cent to £15.7 million on sales up from £135.8 million to £166.6 million.

Bain Hogg, the insurance broker that is the other substantial business up for sale, is finding life more difficult. Weak insurance rates contributed to a 20 per cent fall in operating profits to £20.8

Incheape is now planning to demerge Bain Hogg by issu-ing shares in the broker to its the company to the stock

Overall, Inchcape made a pre-tax profit of £75.3 million. an improvement from El8.6 million in the first-half last year when results were depressed by £55 million of restructuring costs. The com-pany said a better guide to its underlying performance was given by the £82.8 million of profits it made before exceptional items. This was only £500,000 down on last year.

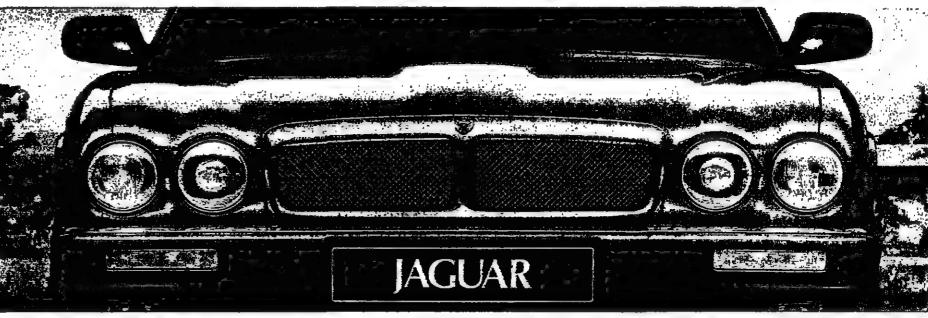
Mr Cushing said he was pleased by the recovery incheane was making, but he expected more in the second half. The weakened yen should give a further boost to the group's car import and distribution business, which increased its first-half profits by two-thirds to £23.2 million. Mr Cushing is hoping to further improve profits in this. the group's largest business, through increased sales of financial services such as in-

surance warranties. Trading remains tough in motor retailing both in the UK and Singapore, Operating profits fell 17 per cent to £27.9

million. Incheape is paying an interim dividend of 4.2p. Although this is a cut from last year's op, Mr Cushing said it represented a notional increase when one took account of the March

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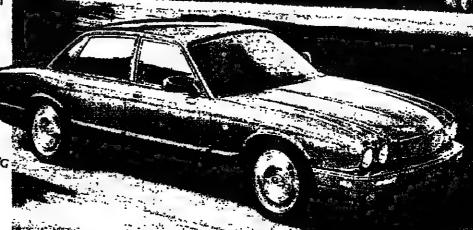
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# Stake buy to save · Lloyds TSB £50m

By Marianne Curphey

LLOYDS TSB Group says it expects to save about E50 million per year before tax in three years from the acquisition of its final stake in the life insurer Lloyds Abbey Life (See Pennington, this page).

Lloyds TSB owns 626 per cent of LAL and had been under pressure to resolve the relationship by buying the minority interest or selling part or all of it. On Friday it announced it wanted to buy out the shareholding in a deal valuing the shares at 635p and the company at £4.4 billion.

Sir Robin Ibbs, group chairman, said the savings would be made through distribution. technology and administration of life and non-life bancassurance products as well as its hire purchase and

clined to give details of job losses but said the bank was aiming for voluntary redundancies and normal staff turnover as far as possible.

Lloyds Abbey Life employs 1,500 clerical and back-office bancassurance staff and a sales force of 800. TSB has 700 staff on the life and pensions side, 450 on general insurance business and 700 sales staff.

Sir Brian Pitman, group chief executive, who succeeds Sir Robin as chairman in Feb ruary, said it was too early to give details of whether the life brand names would change.

The deal to buy the outstanding 37.4 per cent stake in LAL would cost about £1.22 billion, the group said. It proposes that Abbey Life, which is currently quoted, will remain separately run.



# Index drops 44 points on interest rate fears

its first sharp fall in weeks as buyers were scared away by the prospect of a British interest rate rise. The index ended 44.4 points lower at 3,919.7.

Low volume figures showed that trading was almost put on hold before the monthly meeting between the Governor of the Bank of England and the Chancellor.

After lunch the market was further depressed by news from Wall Street. Fears of a rate rise there sent US share prices down sharply as investors braced themselves for today's meeting of the policy-making Federal Open Market Committee.

Banking shares were affected across the board by the anxiety in the market. Abbey National fell from 622p to 6134p. Barclays fell 7p to 9392p, HSBC closed 14p low er at 1203p. Lloyds TSB slipped to 372p from 378 p and NatWest ended the day at 667p, down 7½ p.

The biggest overall losers included Berisford, down 40<sup>1</sup>2p at 106p, FirstBus, 7p lower at 1612p, and Mirror Group, which fell 8p to 214p.

Cable and Wireless was one of the few to buck the trend with a rise of 2p to 455 2p on speculation of a possible large-scale restructuring programme involving significant sell-offs. The company's Mercury One-2-One unit is also reported to be planning the launch of an aggressive marketing campaign next month.

SmithKline Beecham fell 13 p to 749p in spite of an announcement that the company had received approval through the new centralised European Registration procedure to market Twinrix, the first combined vaccine against hepatitis A and B. The approval applies to all 15 European Union countries. The rest of the pharmaceuticals sector was surprisingly steady compared with the market as a whole. British Biotech fell from 205p to 2034p, Glazo Wellcome rose 12p to 959p. Oxford Molecular was unchanged at 323 p and Zeneca fell from 1575p to 1559p.

Vodafone and British Airways said they have created a strategic alliance on an Air Miles project. The agreement, which was the result of a Vodafone the exclusive right to market its cellular phones and

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Sir Colin Marshall, chairman, left, and Philip Cushing. chief executive, saw Inchcape's shares lose ground

members and Air Miles collectors. BA closed 5½ p down at 540 p and Vodalone went from 223p to 221 p.

Carlton Communications bucked the downward trend, closing up higher at 472 h after a report that Canwest will try to block a possible bid by Carlton for HTV.

RMC rose 82p to Ell.352p as traders warmed to possible

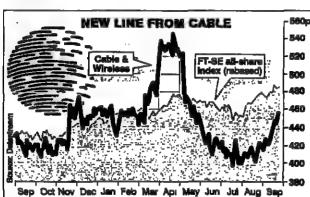
which until last week was believed to have clinched an agreed deal with Yates Brothers Wine Lodges. A spokes-man for Rank said: "We do not comment on market speculation." Neither Yates nor Tom Cobleigh would comment on suggestions that Rank had pipped an offer worth 240p a share from Yates. Rank closed וו lower at 439p, Tom

Top jobs are never secure — not even at BWD Securities. Christopher Broadbent, chief executive, has resigned "by mutual consent". Michael Burns will continue as managing director of BWD Rensburg and will combine this with chief executive of BWD Securities. The shares remained unchanged at 105 p.

cost-cutting moves by the company. Close Brothers celebrated a 32.8 per cent increase in profits with a rise of 32p from 340p. The absence of any concrete news on disposals upset Incheape shares, 10p lower at 2924 p.

Rank declined to comment on whether it is lining up a £100 million-plus bid for the pub operator Tom Cobleigh, Cobleigh edged up 14p to 2345 p and Yates went down lp to 363p. Dealers reported some con-

fusion on the price performance of British Energy partly paid shares. Some dealing screens had the price up 7p while others showed a fall of p. The problem was solved by lunchtime and the shares closed at 104p, 12p lower,



after an announcement on job
cuts. British Energy said it
does not expect to be in a pos-
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tiatives and the impact these
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UK workforce until its annual
strategic review has been com-
pleted. Suggestions that about
2,000 jobs might be lost were
dismissed as speculation.
The oil sector was depressed
in spite of uppraded recom-

mendations for Shell, 24p lower at 969p, and BP, down 10p to 634p, by Merrill Lynch analysts. Other recommendation changes included NatWest moving to a "hold" from "reduce" for Wolverhampton & Dudley, up 4p to 621 p, and a positive view on JD Wetherspoon, unchanged at 104212 p. UBS analysts are said to be buyers of BICC, down from 30412 p to 299p, but have turned negative on Bryant, 133p and no change.

Press comments over the weekend had some impact on the market. A recommendation to buy Celsis sent shares up to 113 p from 111p. Upbeat comment on profit and dividend prospects for Lasmo took the share price to 200'2 p from 2024 p. Pizza Express. thought to be a likely bid target, rose 26p to 47212p. Blenheim rose 52p to 4262p on reports that directors are pressing for acceptance of the Reed offer. The nervous market was further undermined by several large companies going ex-dividend. These included RTZ off 164p at 93412p, BTR 14p weaker at 268 p and British Aerospace 15 p down at £10.40p. . ☐ GILTS: Interest rate wor-

ries dominated the futures markets but gilts ended with smaller losses than first expected. Political worries ahead of the British party conference season as well as the central bank meetings had a negative The December gilt future

settled 8/32 lower at 107/2. The December sterling contract dropped two basis points to 94.04, the March future shed three points to 93.85, factoring in a rate rise in the first quarter of next year. □ NEW YORK: Shares remained weaker in sluggish morning trading because of heightened nervousness before today's Fed policy meeting and volume thinned by the Yom Kippur holiday. The Dow Jones industrial average was down 34.04 points at 5,854.43 at midday.

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INCHCAPE has made a solid start along the road to recovery. Despite problems in motor retailing, marketing and insurance broking. the group just about managed to hold underlying profits steady at £83 million in the first half. Inchcape should make further progress in the second half, when the car mport and distribution business will feel the benefit of the weakened yen.

incheape remains a strange beast. It calls itself an international distribution business, a singularly unhelpful label to describe activities such as selling Pringles crisps in Japan, Timberland boots in the Asia-Pacific area. and photocopiers in China.

Unsurprisingly, management is trying to make sense of this sprawling empire. Some of the weaker businesses have already gone or are going, as yesterday's £20.7 million of

provisions and losses on disposal indicated. Next on the block is the highly successful Testing Services, the electronic equipment business whose sale, for an expected £380 million, has been imminent for some time. The delay is caused by tying up loose ends at 140 operating subsidiaries.

If Testing Services is any guide. Incheape can go a great deal further in simplifying its operating and management structure. The company has already squeezed £120 million out of the working capital of its motors business, and is intent on introducing further efficiencies into its supply chain.

Analysts suggest Inchcape will make £170 million this year, or earnings of 17.4p a share. That leaves the shares, down 10p yesterday to 2922p, on a multiple of nearly 17. High enough for now.

#### Scholl

WHEN Scholl, the foot and healthcare products group. announced a restructuring yesterday, eyes in the City glazed over. The company has already gone through one overhaul recently and it was not immediately clear what this latest version would accomplish.

Indeed, little appears to have changed. In 1994, Scholl came to the wise decision that concentrating on the Scholl brand was the best way to rejuvenate the company's fortunes. Although the new restructuring, which was no doubt triggered by the arrival last year of two rebel shareholders, carries the same theme, it goes much farther. A variety of non-core businesses are being shunted out the door so that School can concentrate on footcare and

Shareholders should stick with the company, all the more so because the restructuring is being implemented by Stuart Wallis, the former chief executive of Fisons who replaced Gordon Stevens as PAINFUL REMEDY

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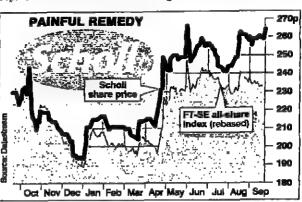
jobs will be lost and the

European operations will be

cut down from five to two

divisions.

chairman in June. Mr Wallis made a name for himself last vear when he forced Rhone-Poulenc Rorer to up the ante considerably in the hostile bid for Fisons. He has plenty of incentive to prove himself once more. His lavish incentive scheme is tied to Scholl's share performance and the rebel shareholders are sticking around to watch.



#### Berisford

THE fact that a strike at a kitchen factory can in a few weeks blast a £3.5 million hole in the profits of Berisford raises some concern. Magnet, the company's kitchen division, has struggled to exert any power of attraction over customers. A costly industrial dispute it can certainly do without.

The confrontation that has ended in the dismissal of 300 employees at Berisford's only kitchen manufacture centre has halved the dispatch rate of its kitchens although the company is confident that normal service will be resumed by November. for

More worrying Berisford is the weak performance of Welbilt, its US supplier of fast-food equipment. While few short-term hopes have been pinned on Magnet, a good deal of optimism has been riding on Welbilt. The highly competitive fast-food market augured well for Berisford which moved into the US market two years ago.

However, a downturn in demand in the US is set to knock a further £2.6 million from profits. Growth in fast food has not been as fast as anticipated. During July eating out in the US fell 5 per cent. Given that overall consumer spending rose the statistic was a surprise and raises fearsthat it could be a

long-term trend. Analysts had been hoping that Berisford would deliver full-year profits of about £33 million. So the sharp reaction to the company's prediction of about £25 million was not a surprise. It will take good news of a fundamental nature to restore confidence.

#### **Close Brothers**

A RECORD year at Close Brothers brings the tally of consecutive rises to 21 years. The shares applauded, rising 3½p to close at 343 p. But it is still not clear to many as to which

direction Britain's third largest publicly quoted merchant

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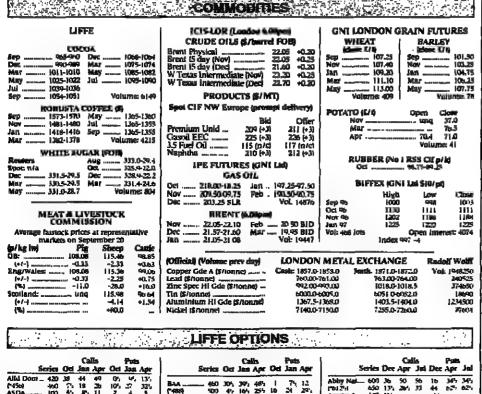
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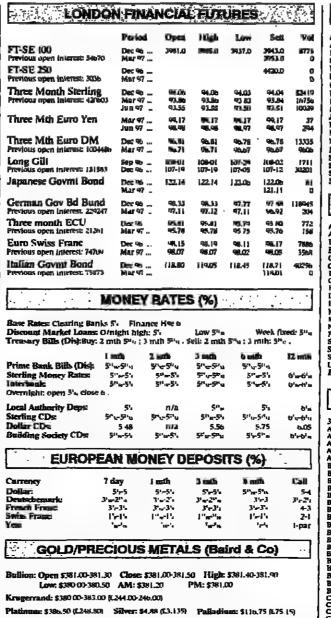
The acquisition of Hill Samuel's corporate finance arm earlier this summer appears to be sound, although the newly merged team is a far cry from Hill Samuel's high flying days in the 1980s. Nevertheless there is still plenty of potential for growing the business and recouping the initial outlay in a relatively short time.

Even more promising is

the continued success of Brian Winterflood's Winterflood Securities division which also had a record year. But the real test of Close Brothers' mettle could be in its stated ambition of growing the fund management business. This is already an overcrowded testing the waters, such as Close Brothers, may be forced to grow by acquisition rather than organic growth. Therein lies the danger and one that should not be underestimated.



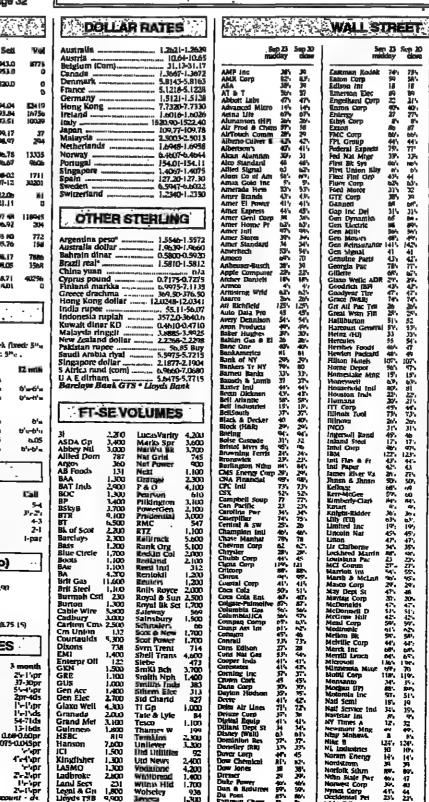
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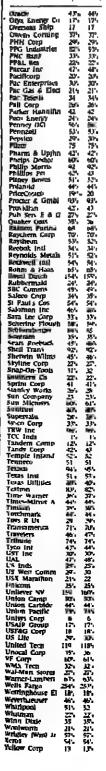
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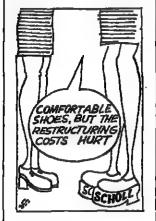
WHAT better way to launch a book than to invite a writ, and then get the title wrong.

First for attention-grabbing authors John Gapper and Nicholas Denton on publication of the latest book about the collapse of Barings Bank was the writ from hearded Aussie Ron Baker. Mr Baker is the former head of derivatives trading at the merchant bank.

Now there is the furore over the book's title, All That Glitters. Learned readers will know, of course, that what Shakespeare and later Gray wrote was: "Nor all, that glisters, gold." The title was an issue of great debate, says Mr Gapper, who insists that he didn't want to alienate "your average punter".

#### Weighty issue

LORD THURSO, Liberal peer and chief executive of Champneys, is exercising his thoughts setting up a series of workouts geared towards toning up MPs in the wake of a general election. Having shed three stone himself since he took over a year ago. Lord Thurso has pinpointed the problems that weigh on individual parties. The Lib Dems are by far the fittest, he says, adding that he is offering them a day in the weights room to tone up their muscle. On dressing down the Tory party, Lord Thurso cites Sebastian Coe, Conservative MP for Falmouth and Camborne, as the "exception to the rule". On the subject of Labour. he says: "The troue with champagne so cialists is that they eat too much rich food."



#### Fighting on

FRESH from the Maxwell debacle, George Staple, head of the Serious Fraud Office, will be speaking tomorrow at the first in a series of courses on Combatting Financial Crime. But all must be safe and sound in the City as 99 per cent of the audience are coming from overseas; as far away as Ghana, Portugal, the Czech Republic and Russia. Titmuss Sainer Dechert, the law firm, has given up its London offices to host the interactive workshops.

#### Snap decision

THE City will never see the mysterious snap or snaps taken with a Polaroid camera said to belong to Peter Young, the former Morgan Grenfell European fund manager sacked earlier this month. A temporary High Court injunction issued last week preventing pictures said to be held by a woman named Sandra, and possibly certain newspapers, from being published, was yesterday made into a permanent ban.

WHAT we want to know is why Nigel Cassidy, Radio 4's business reporter on the Today programme. was so out of breath for his 8.35 slot on Monday morning? Between great gasps, Cassidy updated us on Eddie George and the FT-SE, but his racing pulse didn't go unnoticed. Sue MacGregor said: "I think he might want to listen very carefully to our next item which is all about nurses and midwives." Could she be telling us something?

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# Empire spirit rekindled as retailers look further afield

The corners of foreign fields that are forever England are multiplying rapidly as many of the shops we know and love venture across the Channel and the

Marks & Spencer, J Sainsbury. Tesco and MFI are all increasing their spending on expanding their empires overseas, while Boots is also thinking about making another foray abroad. It is believed to be considering The Netherlands as a location, if and when it gets there, it will probably find Argos has already arrived; it plans to open its first store there in 1998.

British retailers opening stores abroad is not a new phenomenon. What has changed is the pace of openings, spurred on by intense competition at home and tighter planning rules for outof-town developments introduced by John Gummer, the Environment Secretary. The near-saturation of high streets by some chains, like M&S and Next, who can barely find anywhere in the UK where they are not represented, is another factor. Their strategy in the UK is now to extend their existing stores upwards and sideways to add selling pace as there are few locations for new stores.

Retail empire building abroad has not always gone well for British companies. In the past 20 years a trail of hopeful British retailers has headed overseas, often to the US, only to return to these shores with their hopes dashed, a little poorer and wiser. Among these were Boots, who retreated from New Zealand and Canada, and Cecil Gee, the men's clothing retailer now owned by Moss Bros. which opened branches - briefly - in California. Sock Shop was another company to come adrift in the US where many of its inner city branches were targeted by thieves

The current crop of hopefuls insist that they have learnt the lessons of past failures. Although Next admits its four US branches have been struggling, French Connection is very happy with the performance of its US stores which it owns 50-50 with a local businessman.

One of the most expensive US adventures was undertaken by M&S, which paid £750 million for the Brooks Brothers men's clothes chain in 1988. Although the investment has begun to turn in a reasonable profit, M&S has now changed its policy and, rather than buying foreign retailers, is expanding in Europe and the Far East

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Yours faithfully.

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From Mr J. G. Hooper

## Paul Durman and Sarah Cunningham

report on the race for expansion abroad

store by store, and under its own name. But Keith Oates, deputy chairman of

M&S, insists that expanding abroad remains essential: "We can't remain in the UK and get the sort of growth we need. Also we are buying internationally, and we should be selling internationally." And on a more general level, he argues: "It is true that we are a nation of shopkeepers. We are strong M&S is opening its first shop in

Germany next month in Cologne. It now owns 88 stores abroad, and 78 franchises. In future it wants to own stores in countries where it intends to open several branches, and have franchises in smaller markets. Half of its spending on new space next year will go overseas. According to Mr Oates, markets are becoming more homogeneous: "In clothing, the world has gone down a standardised route, because of the influence of magazines and television. There is still local dress. but as a generality, colours and styles go round the world with great speed. We are finding a bestseller in Marble Arch is a bestseller in Madrid, Tokyo and Hong Kong."

Food is more problematic, which is why M&S has proportionately less of it in its foreign stores. It is also why Sainsbury's strategy has been very different to that of M&S. It owns Shaws, a New England supermarket chain, and a large chunk of Giant Food, a chain in the Washington and Baltimore area. It is widely expected to buy the rest of Giant, which will cost around £1 billion. David Sainsbury, chairman, says the company was very aware of possible pitfalls in the US: "We were extremely cautious. The record of UK retailers in the US was very poor. which is why we bought only 20 per cent of Shaws in the first place, in 1987. But our strategy was right.

The feeling in the Eighties was that the time would come when the UK market would become mature, so we made an early move. We still feel the best opportunities are in the US." He is also sure that UK supermarkets have something special to offer: "We are at the cutting edge of food retailing".

esco, Sainsbury's arch rival in the UK, has concentrated its efforts on Eastern Europe and France, It began investing is Europe in 1993, and although it recently pulled back from making a £2.5 billion offer for Docks de France, it continues to extend its European operations with moves that are more modest. In April, it paid £79 million to buy 13 stores in the Czech Republic and

With Global in Hungary and Savia in Poland, this gives Tesco a presence in four Eastern European countries. A



David Sainsbury, left, and Sir Ian MacLaurin back expansion

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combination of Tesco's retailing skills and the increased prosperity of local consumers is delivering healthy sales growth. In its latest six monthly figures, Tesco reported a 42 per cent growth in sales at Global and a 32.5 per

cent rise at Savia. By far the largest part of Tesco's European business is Catteau in northern France. Catteau, which trades as Cedico and Cedimarche, had sales of nearly £300 million in the first half, out of a European total of £354 million. Nearly all the growth - 20 per cent in the first half - is coming from the new stores. This is in the face of stiff competition from Aldi and other

David Reid, finance director of Tesco and a director of Catteau, said: "We are trying to do in five years what's taken us 15 years with Tesco.

"We've put quite a lot of Tesco senior managers into Catteau and are still working hard on the infrastructure. We are not getting a proper return out of Catteau yet, but it was always going to take time. "We are learning what it's like to implement change in a foreign country.

Tesco is very encouraged by Eastern Europe. Mr Reid says there has been an "astonishing" improvement in the range of goods in the region's stores over the last few years. Sir Ian MacLaurin, chairman, said: "When we first went in there, Global was Tesco 25

Tesco was fancied as a bidder for Docks, the French retailer, but in the end walked away. On the question of Docks, according to Sir Ian: "It would have made sense if we could have done it with a partner. As it was, we could not get shareholder value, so we moved away." Tesco is phlegmatic about missing out on Docks and confident there will be plenty of other opportunities, although analysts say that in France they are in fact thin on the ground. France has few efficient regional supermarket chains for Tesco to buy in order to build up its business

Although it will not say as much, Tesco must feel under some pressure to step up its efforts abroad. The risks are great, but retailers know it is equally risky to stay at home and see the competition prosper from overseas investments. The real winners in Britain's store wars will be the retailers who emerge victorious from the commercial battles fought on foreign soil.



# US rate rise is nothing to fear

Acan interest rates to day should not be regarded as an alarming precursor to tighter money end of the US Federal Reserve's brave experiment to see how fast the economy can grow and how far unemployment can fall

without igniting inflation. Since Alan Greenspan, the redoubtable Fed chairman, came to office in 1987, he has moved interest rates by a quarter point many times and proved that economic fine-tuning can be an well. Mr Greenspan's welldeveloped common sense and his absolute commitment to achieving both healthy growth and low inflation has led to a prolonged period of sustainable growth which shows no sign

of ending.

The evidence in favour of a vote in the Federal Open Market Committee in favour of higher rates today perhaps a quarter, less likely a half — is almost overwhelming. There was the recent, apparently accurate, report from a Fed source that eight out of 12 regional Federal Reserve banks have lodged petitions for a rise in the discount rate.

There have also been surprisingly hawkish comments from the Fed's dovish wing. Janet Yellen talked of the Fed now being in the inflationary danger zone. Governor Lawrence Lindsey, who used the word experiment to describe the Fed's attempt to run the economy at lower levels of unemployment, gave two interview two wire services. giving the impression that he would vote in favour of a hike in the Fed Funds rate. He said that, although the price numbers so far did not show inflation picking up, the Fed could not afford to wait because it might be too late to contain any

pressures. Raising rates at this stage sensible. For one thing, the exercise is likely to involve low economic costs and may even have some benefits. A US rate hike is very unlikely to lead to higher interest rates elsewhere. The Japanese economy is proving too weak to warrant tighter money and the Bundesbank has made it clear that it will not be looking at rates for some

For the American economy, a quarter point rate hike

small rise in Ameri- is too small to have much of a negative impact. Just as the quarter point cut in January was seen as insurance to keep economic momentum going, so a quarter point rise now would help to reinforce an economic deceleration which is already happening, but not to the extent that the slowdown might become too abrupt. Nor, indeed, would a quarter point rise be so unpopular as to compromise President Clinton's chances of re-election. On the plus side, a quarter point rise would reassure the financial markets, perhaps bringing

down long bond yields. Of course, it is still perfectly possible that Mr Greenspan will push the experiment a little further. not willing to act as killjoy amid a new excitement in the economics profession. The thrill of the game has heightened every time each suspected trigger point for inflation has been reached and passed without

Everyone thought that the NAIRU (the non-accelerating inflation rate of unemployment) was around 6 per cent. Unemployment fell below 6 per cent: no price effect. Then 5.5 per cent was breached: again no effect.

hristopher Low of HSBC Markets re-/ minds us that a new study presented to the Fed conference in Jackson Hole, Wyoming, last month sug-gested that NAIRU trigger points actually shift as the actual rate of unemploy-

ment changes.
In other words, the NAIRU might actually be whatever current unemployment happens to be. We are nearer than ever to recognising the NAIRU as a meaningless concept.

Unemployment has now reached 5.1 per cent and growth in average hourly earnings has reached 3.6 per cent year on year. Although this figure is still small compared with previous cycles, it was latched onto by the inflation paranoids, and this will probably be enough to persuade Mr Greenspan to raise rates.

Those of us excited by the spectacle of a central bank pursuing the holy grail of full employment might be tempted to see a quarter point rise as a loss of bottle. It should instead be welcomed as a cheap insurance policy which will allow the experiment to continue.



Greenspan: successful economic fine-tuning

#### Lloyd's solution undermines trust in the English From Mr Robert Marich represents an alcoholic in the

Sir, The Lloyd's of London R & R scheme is now unconditional. Lloyd's probably feel self-Sir. Monthly retail sales figsatisfied that they have seemingly left behind a signifienced by the number of cant portion of their old prob-Saturdays in the month in lems - at least for the time question. This year, for inbeing. But they have lost much stance, August had five Saturon behalf of themselves and the English people.

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have failed to recognise the fiasco, prevent the fiasco. bring the perpetrators to task and failed to make restitution except under dire legal duress. This has left most of us doubting the once-proud British political, legal and social

look an Englishman in the eye without feeling a complete lack of trust - and yet many of us are born of English

Many of us can no longer

Your readers should understand that like an alcoholic who needs to admit his prob-

lem before he can fix it, Lloyd's

English system which will not be cured until your political. legal and social system brings Lloyd's and certain individuals to task. I wish the refuseniks well in

their future fight against Lloyd's. If they win, the cleansing effect will improve the reputation of the City of London and raise the respect of British businessmen in the world market. Yours faithfully ROBERT MARICH, 1 Hallstrom Close,

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#### British Gas is about to pay a king's ransom for a liability

From Mr Noel Falconer Sir, British Gas, for the Board of which I have stood repeatedly, is about to buy a relaxation of its take-or-pay contracts with Morecambe Bay assets. Its - secret -

motivation is to enable the

demerger to proceed. It is paying a king's ransom for a liability. There is a case for demerging: to separate production and retailing. Only this isn't the plan! Those key Morecambe fields, or what

remains of them, are assigned to BGas Energy, the

retail arm, not - as are the

other gasfields - to TransCo. More, the timing is insane. BGas is already in the throes of a massive reorganisation -£1.65 billion and 25,000 redundancies - and a further change will compound the confusion and extend it into that worst of all times, the onset of unfettered competition in 1998.

Take-or-pay cannot be corrected by leaving purchased gas underground. Assigning reserves against pre-payment does not affect current output. Gas still reaches the market. and depresses prices further. The answer is to take as much

outside gas as possible, by the absolute minimisation of inhouse production - and by keeping every presently owned field in-house. And TransCo will be external to

This constitutes a deadly argument against the demerger; defusing it is the purpose of this latest panic measure. Please let me write you a feature to tell this other Yours faithfully

NOEL FALCONER. 223 Bramhall Moor Lane,

#### Asda's 'new jobs' in market share From Mr Tim Clapham

Sir, David Stone's comments (Letters, September 19) regarding Asda's "creation of 2,700 new jobs" would appear to harp back to the 1980s - when supermarket groups were tak-ing market share from the independents.

In the 1990s it is now widely accepted that the potential for new out-of-town supermarket sites has largely diminished. David Stone rightly points out that retailers are not increasing their market share as a whole, which surely indicates that Asda's strategy is to attempt to take market share from its competitors - not the independents who are largely adopting a niche market position. Yours faithfully.

TIM CLAPHAM. 6 Glebe Street.

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# **Close Brothers** sets 21-year growth record

BY ROBERT MILLER

CLOSE BROTHERS, the merchant bank, has maintained an unbroken 21-year growth record with a 33 per cent jump in annual pre-tax profits to £45.1 million.

Rod Kent, managing director of Close, which acquired Hill Samuel's corporate finance arm from Lloyds TSB earlier this summer, refused yesterday to rule out similar deals to accelerate the group's

The purchase price paid to Lloyds TSB by Close Brothers, which raised a net £53.4 million in a one-for-five rights issue last October, has not been disclosed. But one bank analyst noted that the merchant bank "got a bargain".

Close Brothers' final dividend was lifted to 6.8p, payable on October 28, making a total dividend for the year ending July 31 of 10p against 8.5p last year. Earnings per share rose by 12 per cent to 24.Sp. Operating income rose to £102.6 million from £74.5 million. Administrative expenses, including bonuses and profit-related payments, increased to £51.1 million against £35.7 million in the same period last year, about 50 per cent of operating

Winterflood Securities (Wins), the merchant bank's market-making operation which specialises in smaller-company stocks, also had a record year. It accounted for 35 per cent of the group's operating profits compared with 22 per cent a year ago.

Other contributors to group profits were asset finance at 45 per cent, down I per cent from last year, and City merchant banking, which includes investment and credit management, accounting for 20 per cent, a fall of 12 per cent. Michael Morley, Close Brothers chairman, said: "We

believe that the organic growth and momentum of our operations are such that we continue to be confident about the future."

On a generally lacklustre day on the stock market Close Brothers bucked the trend with the shares closing at 343½ p, up 3½ p on the day. Close Brothers said Hill

Samuel's corporate finance division made an excellent start" as part of the enlarged group. Close was now posit ioned as "a substantial force in the corporate market place." The majority of its clients are medium-sized listed companies but it hopes to advise more larger companies.

The bank, which raised £53.4 million through a rights issue in October 1995, said it also hoped to expand its investment management division.

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Steve Ayres says the group has financial flexibility

# lookout for acquisitions

By Eric Reguly

VCI, the video and audio publishing group chaired by Mich-ael Grade, the Channel 4 chief executive, said yesterday that it is searching for acquisitions after years of organic growth.

Steve Ayres, chief executive, said that VCI will not stray from its core businesses of publishing and distributing videos, music, books and software and has considerable financial flexibility and no long-term debt. "Acquisitions are more firmly on our agenda going forward," he said.

The change in strategy came as VCI reported a 14 per cent rise in pre-tax profits, to £1.3 million in the half year to June 30, on turnover up by half to £37 million. On a likefor-like basis, turnover was up 10 per cent. Earnings per share were 2.8p (2.5p) and the interim dividend, payable on November 29, rises 5 per cent to 23p. The shares closed at

328'2 p, down 4p.

Mr Ayres said that
Moonbean, the new joint venture with Britt Alicroft, expects to announce shortly that it has acquired the rights to two children's animated characters which will be used across its publishing range.

# VCI on the Northern Electric urges cut in levy on business users

By Christine Buckley, industrial correspondent

fuelled the dispute over competition charges in electricity bills, with a call for the levy on industrial users to be cut.

Other regional electricity companies are also believed to be campaigning for a review of charges for meters that enable commercial electricity customcrs to shop around for power. Tony Hadfield, chief execu-

tive of Northern Electric, said in a company publication: Northern Electric would regard it as unacceptable for there to be any further rise beyond £565 and are arguing for future costs to be spread differently to contain the charge. In particular, we wish to see the cost of communication links recovered from suppliers over a period extending beyond 1998 when suppliers would be subject to the pres-

sure of the fully open market." The companies, which have to itemise the charge on bills to industrial customers, are said to be lobbying the electricity pool - the wholesale market to cut or redistribute the charge. A jump in the settlement

NORTHERN ELECTRIC has charges for large electricity users has caused protests this year, with J Sainsbury, the supermarket chain, refusing to pay part of its bill.

Mr Hadfield said: "We support the view that a mechanism should be sought, by the working party now established, to reduce the data collection charge, if possible, below £565." The annual charge, for the

use of meters so that industrial users can huy electricity from any supplier, jumped from £299 a meter to £565 earlier this year. Businesses with a lor of sites were annoyed that the charge contains a substantial levy for under-recovery, that is for charges set too low in past years. Sainsbury, Somerfield, the store chain, and GKN, the engineering group, have all refused to pay the under-recovery part of their bills.

The entry of some regional electricity companies into the dispute comes as many industrial customers are renegotiating contracts. The lobbying will put pressure on the pool to modify charges due to be set at the end of this year.

#### Premier Oil launches hostile bid

FROM RACHEL BRIDGE IN SYDNEY

PREMIER OIL the UK oil and gas company, has launched a hostile A\$92 million (£46.9 million) takeover bid for Discovery Petroleum, the Australian oil and gas company. The bid was an-nounced just three days after Premier acquired an interest in the West Natura Sea block oilfield off the coast of Indonesia for A\$90 million, which lies adjacent to a block in which Discovery has an

interest. The cash offer of 70 cents a share represents a premium of 17 per cent to Discovery's prebid share price of 60 cents and a 35 per cent premium to its average share price, over the past three months, of 51.9 cents. The shares rose 13 cents

to 73 cents yesterday Eric Streitberg, Discovery's chief executive, said the Premier bid undervalued the company. He added: "It is unfortunate that the Australian market does not recognise the value of its assets."

In addition to its interest in the Natuna oilfield, Discovery Petroleum's assets include an exploration interest in the Carnarvon Basin off the western coast of Australia, and exploration and production interests in the Perth Basin in Western Australia. In the year to June it made a record profit of A\$10 million before exploration write-offs, with a net profit of A\$7.6 million.

#### Rutland to invest £15m at port

Rutland Trust said yesterday it is to invest E15 million at Thamesport, the Isle of Grain deep-water container port in the Thames Estuary, to increase overall capacity from 275,000 to 400,000 containers

The company reported profits for the six months to June 30 almost unchanged at E4.9 million (E4.88 million) before tax and exceptional items. At the pre-tax level profits were £4.9 million. Profits of £6.86 million for the previous first half included £1.98 million from the sale of esseconimics.

The interior dividend is 0.4p a share (0.33p), payable from adjusted earnings of 1.71p a share (1.19p).

#### TransTec rises

TransTec, the engineering group, reported a rise in pretax profits to £4.5 million from £3.1 million in the six months to June 30. Earnings rose to 3.ip a share from 2.3p. The interim dividend rises to 0.8p

#### Aspen falls

Aspen Communications, the communications and specialist printer, is maintaining the interim dividend at 2.5p a share after reporting a fall in pre-tax profits to £1.04 million (£1.63 million) on turnover of £38.3 million (£37 million). Earnings fell to 4.5p a share

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## **DCC** completes buyout of parent

FROM EILEEN MCCABE IN DUBLIN

DCC, the Irish industrial holding company, has paid Ir 13.8 million to increase its stake in holding company Oare from 80 per cent to 100 per cent. The buyout was in line with a prior agreement Oare's management which held the outstanding 20

Oare is the holding company for the food firms Robert Roberts, Kelkin and Healthilife and has a 50 per cent stake in KPI, a joint venture with United Biscuits which controls the distribution and

manufacture of KP products in Ireland.

The buyout of the minority holding is the sixth carried out by DCC over the past nine months and is in keeping with its policy of consolidating its interests in its core sectors of food, energy, healthcare and

computer services. Robert Roberts manufactures and distributes snackfoods, tea and ground coffee. Both Kelkin and Healthilife are involved in the supply of healthfood products supplements.



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# Are juries essential?

Peter Binning

looks at how other countries

deal with

serious fraud

n the wake of the ending of the second Maxwell trial last week, the jury in fraud cases is on trial. The ruling by Mr Justice Buckley that a second trial would be "oppressive and unfair" should not mean that the days of the jury in fraud trials are numbered. But after Blue Arrow, Guinness and Walker, pressure for reform has been mounting.

Even if the Maxwells had been convicted, there would still have been a clamour for changing the system on the grounds of the expense and the length of fraud trials. For some time, the Government has been considering allowing research into how juries reach their verdicts. This would require a change in the law. but has been opposed by some senior judges.

One upshot of any review of juries in fraud trials could be to replace them with a judge and two assessors as recommended by Lord Roskill, the law lord, in 1986. Alternatively, judges might sit

alone as they do in civil cases. In looking at the options, it is important to remember that we are not the only country to have had problems prosecuting serious fraud cases. In Australia recently, the case against John Elliott, the Fosters brewing magnate, was dropped after the Supreme Court ruled evidence inadmissible. Also in Australia, in 1992, the now notorious retrial of Wilson and Grimwade before a jury (the first trial was aborted after 33 weeks) lasted two years: twice as long as the Blue Arrow trial and, similarly, the convictions were

New Zealand's largest fraud trial, the Equiticorp case (which reached the Privy as Adams v R last year), also took place in 1992 and lasted for six months. Significantly, it was held, on the election of all seven defendants, before a judge alone. Four of the seven defendants were convicted.

quashed on appeal.

o how would a system for trial by judge alone or with assessors work here in England? Who would make the decision to dispense with a jury: the accused, the prosecution, the court or all three? Would it save time and money? Would the "streetwise" defendant go "judge-shopping"? Do judges tend to acquit more than iuries? Why would any sensible defendant in a serious fraud trial give up his or her right to trial by jury in the first place? To answer these questions. it is worth taking a look at the



Kevin and Ian Maxwell at the High Court after hearing that the second trial against Kevin would be stopped

state of New South Wales (NSW) and New Zealand, both of which allow for trial by judge alone. In both, the law applies not just for serious fraud trials but to all serious criminal cases with some ex-

In NSW, defendants have, since 1990, been able to elect trial by judge alone in indictable cases. If the prosecution consents, a defendant must be tried without a jury if the judge is satisfied that the defendant has been legally advised, all other defendants in the trial consent and the election has been made in respect of all offences being tried. The judge has no say in the decision to try the case without a jury.

When the law came into effect, prosecutors used their veto rarely and the defence out objection. Recently, there has been a change in policy and the prosecution now objects more often to trial by judge alone.

One of the main reasons for this was that the judges thought community confidence in the system would be eroded if controversial cases were routinely decided by judge alone. They felt that juries applied "community standards" and that perhaps verdicts by judges were less able to reflect the involvement of the community in the system of justice. In this country, judges sitting with assessors in fraud cases might provide some guidance on the standards of the financial community, but those might not reflect the standards of the

public generally. Another reason for the prosecution to object is when the defendant is trying to choose a particular judge to get a lower sentence or a better charge of acquittal. In NSW, the answer to this tactic of judge-shopping is that the defence election must be made before the date

must also be made before In New Zealand, the system is different. The right to elect trial by judge alone applies to all criminal cases, except those in which the maximum penalty is 14 years' imprisonment, or in a life imprisonment term. Homicide cases must therefore be tried by a jury. The Crimes Act 1961 (as amended) provides that within 28 days of

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wish to be tried by judge alone. The prosecution has no say. Are judges more likely to acquit than juries? The answer seems to be yes - if you pick the right case. In NSW from January to September 1995 about 12 per cent of trials were by judge alone and there were more acquittals by judges than

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Typical cases where defence lawyers may advise their cli-ent to elect for trial by judge alone include those with weak prosecution evidence or difficult issues of law, cases in which there has been widespread and possibly prejudicial media coverage before the trial, or cases where the defence necessitates leading evidence which is highly prejudicial to the defendant.

Public antipathy to the excesses of the 1980s and highly complex facts are said to have been reasons that the seven defendants in the New Zealand Equiticorp trial chose trial by judge alone.

Another question is whether dispensing with the jury saves time and money. There is a risk that the discipline of a jury trial, particularly for fraud prosecutors, would be lost if we moved to trial by judge alone. No one wants to see a return to the days of the overloaded indictment and the unmanageability of the mega-

Judges would be under more pressure in big criminal cases without juries and would have to be on their guard against cases getting more complex than necessary, too many defendants being charged and loss of focus on the main points of the case.

nother point to remember is that dis-pensing with juries might not save time in court. The job of preparing for trial by both defence and prosecution would cost just as much as before. It is worth noting that some of the complex issues that would have formed the subject matter of the second Maxwell trial were fully ventilated in a civil case that lasted for nine months in 1993 before an experienced

High Court judge.
Juries in fraud cases return verdicts of guilty more often than acquittals. In Australia Alan Bond was recently convicted of fraud by a Perth jury. In the UK, the SPO's conviction record is not bad, considering the complex cases it has to investigate and prosecute. The fact is that acquittals often

make more sensational news

than cases with convictions. The NSW and New Zealand systems allow the defendant to make the first move towards giving up his right to jury trial. In both countries the number of trials by judge alone is still small, but the initiative is considered a success and has led to much shorter trials in some cases. The experience in both urisdictions should influence thoughts on reform here.

Will this Government or the next go further and dispense with jury trial altogether? Controlled research into how well juries cope with long trials is to be welcomed; we might discover that juries do not, after all, do such a bad job.

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# Late-night television without frontiers

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the European Court of Justice decided that the United Kingdom has no power to regulate the television programmes of a broadcasting company established in another part of the European Union. This decision on the general powers of member states will make it more difficult for the United Kingdom to control pornography broadcast into this country from abroad.

Directive 89/552 co-ordinates the actions of member states in relation to television broadcasting. The court held (upholding a complaint by the European Commission, acting with the support of France) that the United Kingdom has no jurisdiction when the broadcaster is "established" in another member state. A broadcaster is "established" where it has "the centre of its activities", that is "the place where decisions concerning programme policy are taken and the programmes to be broadcast are finally put together". The court rejected

the United Kingdom's argument that jurisdiction depends on the place from which the broadcast is transmitted.

The court added, in a companion case brought by the Commission against Belgium that because article 2(2) of the directive requires member states to "ensure freedom of reception", the receiving state cannot act on its views of public policy or public morality" to regulate programmes from a brandcaster established in another member state.

This has important consequences for the control of pornography. English law allows the broadcasting of some demeaning material which ap-

peals only to prurient interests apparent to viewers of ITV's Man O' Man and Blind Date. But regulators take all possible steps to exclude hard-core pornograpby from our television screens. In many other European countries, the law takes a more liberal approach, permitting satellite channels to provide pornographic entertainment, late at night, for those who pay the subscription fee. There is, incidentally, no evidence that this has led to any harmful social consequences

In 1993, Red Hot Television, a pornograph ic channel broadcast from Denmark, challenged the decision of the Government to impede reception of its programmes in this country. The High Court asked the European Court to decide whether the United Kingdom had legal power so to act. The case was removed from the register of the European Court earlier this year because the company did not pursue its claim.

Article 22 of the directive does impose duties on the member state in which the

ate measures" to ensure that broadcasters "do not include programmes which might seriously impair the physical, mental or moral development of minors, in particular those that involve pornography or gratuitous violence". But, as the court explained in the case against Belgium, the failure of the state in which the broadcaster is established to perform its obligations does not justify the re-ceiving state itself assuming jurisdiction. The remedy is for the aggrieved state to bring proceedings against the errant state in Luxem-

bourg (or ask the Commission to do so).

What, then, can the United Kingdom do to control pornography broadcast from another member state which can be received here by anyone who pays a subscription? If the company responsible is established here, the United Kingdom has jurisdiction. In Commission v The United Kingdom, Advocate-General Lenz noted that in his opinion "there

is much in favour" of the view of the Commission that in the Red Hot Television case the broadcaster was established in

the United Kingdom. But what if the broadcaster is established in another mean-ber state? Article 2(2) of the directive confers a limited power on a member state to restrict "retransmission" on its territory of television broadcasts from another member state where the other state has failed to perform its duties, for example, under Article 22. But this will not assist where the broadcasts are not "retransmitted" in the United Kingdom (by cable or by a satellite up-link from here), but are merely received

here via satellite. In Commission v Belgium, the court said that a state may be able to prevent abuse by a person not established in that state but whose "activity is entirely or principally directed towards its territory". But this would not apply to a broadcaster established (say) in Denmark, principally serving a Danish audience, but catering also for those in England who wish to receive the service. The regulatory authorities here would have no power to impede reception. They could merely bring (or ask the Commission to bring) proceedings against the state in which the broadcaster is established. The issue then would be whether Article 22 obliges that state to prohibit the provision of late-night pornography to consenting adults.

Directive 89/552 was intended to promote "television without frontiers". The court's recent judgments are likely substantially to extend the frontiers of late-night viewing in

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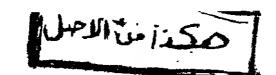
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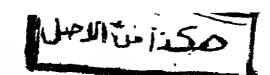
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AN ANNUAL scholarship for a young barrister is to be set up in memory of Michael Kalisher. QC, one of the bestloved faces at the Criminal Bar, who died of a brain

tumour last week at 55.

Anne Rafferty, QC, the chairman of the Criminal Bar Association (CBA), who worked closely with him for many years, said: "The nice thing is that I had the chance of discussing the scholarship idea with Michael before he died, and he was thrilled. It will go to a youngster who has some of the same qualities we all saw in him - acumen, intellectual standing and, above all. a sense of humour."

Details of the award have yet to be worked out. Mr Kalisher did, however, impose one condition. Ms Rafferty explains: "We used to have working CBA breakfasts at Chez Gerard [in Chancery Lane, near Lincoln's Innl. and he insisted that the judging for the scholarship should also be held over breakfast at the restaurant. The idea is that members of the Bar will contribute to raise the money for the scholarship. A Kalisher memorial lecture is also

Mr Kalisher, who originally qualified as a solicitor, rose to become one of the most successful criminal advocates at the Bar, taking silk after only 14 years' call. He was CBA chairman (1991-1993) and was in line to be Bar chairman.

Among his strengths was a huge capacity for work, which would often win him points because he had survived a gruelling day in court, clearsighted, when everyone else was exhausted. And his humour invariably defused a crisis; when the Bar was at its most agitated about the prospect of plans by the Lord Chancellor, Lord Mackay of Clashfern, to open up advocacy rights to many other groups, he told the Bar Council that when the gas engineers won advocacy rights, they'd never be able to say whether they were coming to court "in the morning or afternoon".

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# Battle to win back the gold

ust over 50 years since the defeat of the Nazis, the struggle to compensate their victims goes on. London lawyers have played a vital part in the process and the current inquiry into gold bullion held in Swiss banks has led to a surge of inquiries from possible beneficiaries.

Hans Marcus is one of the best lawyers in this field. Having escaped from Germany in 1939 and having later qualified as a lawyer in this country, he, like most of the other lawyers involved, has a deep personal connection with the history of the period. For many years, he acted for refugees seeking compensation from the former West German Government. After the reunification of Germany, there was another burst of activity arising out of the restitution of property in the former East German state.

Now, from his offices at Edmonds Bowen & Company, where he is a consultant, he says that the acknowledgement by Switzerland of the existence of the gold has offered him fresh courage. He is working with a number of new cases from British clients, and, in conjunction with Peter Taylor of Tayiors, a Southampton firm with South American connections, may also act for clients in Argentina and Brazil.

Long experience has not however,

Edward Fennell meets the British lawyers fighting to recover the vast riches stolen

by the Nazis and secreted in Swiss banks

made him particularly optimistic about the outcome. He says: "My lear is that it will take the Swiss a long time to do the research and then, because of the nature of gold, it will be difficult determine who the original owners are."

The reason that lawyers need to become involved in these cases is that ultimately, a case based on clear evidence will need to be presented to the authorities in order to prove entitlement. In the matter of the Nazi gold, this will be easier in cases concerning specific theft of distinctive property. One client, for example is the heir to a jeweller whose shop in Cracow was plundered by the Nazis. Another jeweller in Berlin saw his stock disappear on Kristallnacht. In these kinds of cases, it may be possible to show a direct link with the deposits in

the vaults. Like others in this area. Mr Marcus has long been worried about the way in which banks in Switzerland deal with the dormant accounts of people or

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organisations that transferred money there in the 1930s. "Often," he says, the children of these people have a vague idea that money was deposited

tails to help us to locate it." Though the Contact Office, the office in Switzerland through which claims should be made, is being reasonably co-operative in undertaking searches, Mr Marcus says that the quickest way forward would be simply to publish information about accounts that were opened in the 1930s but have ever since remained untouched. He says: "That would be a real assistance to those who want to track down their family's

in Switzerland but do not have the de-

imilarly Andrew Kaufman, a partner with Fladgate Fielder, a City law firm, argues that the banks in Switzerland and in the UK should be more open about what they hold. As chairman of the Association of Jewish Refugees, he is now planning a campaign for the

holdings."

Government. He says: "We feel rather cynical about the motives of most of the governments involved in this affair. We shall pursue it, however, as an important matter of principle."

One of the firms most active in this field is Pritchard Englefield. The firm employs German-qualified lawyers and keeps them busy most of the time on restitution and compensation cases. As Mr Rhodes points out, there is a distinct detective aspect to the work and a lot of research is required to track down what happened to money or property such a long time ago.

He adds: "Refugees and their child-ren are very good at telling us what happened but they are often not in a position to present the evidence correctly. This needs the skills of a lawyer who speaks the language and understands the law of Germany and Austria."

Some clients have caseloads of papers, which need an explanation of what they actually are.

Sadly, the discovery of an inheritance can easily lead to a squabble between family members. Wills of people long dead are suddenly disputed and previously unknown "heirs" sometimes appear. The true owners of the Nazi gold may have a long and painful wait ahead.

# Justices put fortune tellers in low spirits

ast month, Geraldine Lee of Morfe Gypsy camp appeared before the justices of Llanelli in south Wales charged under the Fraudulent Mediums Act 1951. Whether or not she had foreseen her appearance, it is astonishing that such an of-fence remains on the statute book. I do not, of course, in any way seek to predict the outcome of her case.

People who, with intent to deceive, purport to act as spiritualistic mediums, or to exercise any powers of telepathy, clairvoyance or other similar powers, will be surprised to discover themselves liable to fines or up to a couple of years' imprisonment. It could, however, be worse this Act repealed the Witch-craft Act 1735.

Witchcraft has had chequered history. It was ini-tially an ecclesiastical offence, becoming a felony punishable by death in the reign of Henry VIII. James I had a particular dislike of witches and the first year of his reign produced An Act against Conjuration, Witchcraft and dealing with evil and wicked spirits. The last execution of a witch in England occurred in 1704 (1722 in Scotland).

The Witchcraft Act 1735 was, curiously, a singularly liberal measure. It denied the existence of witches; accordingly, no one could be prosecuted for being one, although it remained an offence to claim powers of conjuration - for which the penalty was one year's imprisonment and a quarterly appearance in the pillory.

The Act, like all good stat-utes, was little used and lay dormant for more than 200 years. Its slumbers were, however, threatened (but undisturbed) by the Victorians' remarkable interest in psychic research; but all this ended in 1950. in that year, Charles Botham persuaded a widow to place £1,500 in notes on a chair with the story that the spirit of her late husband would dematerialise them and apply the money to medical charities.



A common sight at fairs, but what does the law say?

Luke Clements sees troubled

times for mystics Unfortunately, the cash ma-terialised in his wallet and he

found himself charged under the Witchcraft Act 1735, Had he not claimed to have the power of conjuration? The revival of the Act dis-

turbed the spiritualist move-ment — did not their members claim the self-same powers? Fortunately for the spiritualists, they had friends in high laces, and within the year the Fraudulent Mediums Act 1951 materialised, repealing the 1735 Act in its entirety. The raison d'être of the 1951 Act is that genuine mediums exist and that it is important that the public be protected from persons such as Mr Botham who fraudulently purport to be genuine. During the pas-sage of this Private Member's Bill, a few Honourable Members questioned this assertion If there is fraud, they asked why not use the Larceny Act 1916; why create an offence which depends upon the existence of an afterlife? Perhaps the most sensible comment in the debates was the view that the persons who should be prosecuted were those who risked their money, and not the persons who took it. The author is a solicitor and

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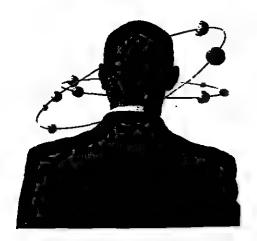
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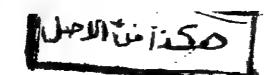
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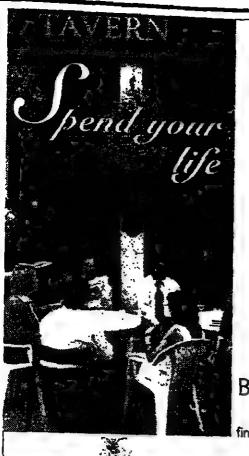


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☐ More than four fifths of small firms have a fax machine, and 80 per cent have a computer, according to NatWest's quarterly survey of UK small businesses. Nearly 17 per cent have electronic mail; fewer use the Internet for e-mail and 9 per cent use the World Wide Web.

☐ Gillian Shephard, Employment Secretary, and Richard Page, Small Business Minister, are among speakers at a conference organised by the Small Business Bureau at Frimley Green, Surrey, on October 16. Details on the Internet or from Jackie Russell-Lowe on 01276 452010.

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# Moving targets hit mark

Rodney Hobson finds a firm with a

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the driving range

SERIOUS golfers can hit a birdie. an eagle or an albatross. Now they can hit an owl as well ... and even

John Odell has used his talents as an engineer to create targets for golfers. His first creations have appeared on a golf range in Kent and he has received inquiries from as far away as Panama, which has encouraged him to set up an Internet Web site.

His owl flaps its wings when hit by a golf ball, the cow moos and the cart-horse bucks. For urban ranges, he can offer golfers the satisfaction of smacking a golf ball into the side of a police panda car. which responds with flashing lights and a siren

Mr Odell set up his company, PB Services, at Farnham, Surrey, last year at the age of 60.

It was a friend who ran a golf range who put up the idea of making ranges more interesting for those who wanted to practise their drives and chips, Golfers buy a bucket of 30 balls and go on to the range to have a swing. Putting up an interesting target encourages them to buy another bucket, especially if they manage a few near



A real hoot: John Odell, left, managing director of PB Services, with John Skinner, of Business Link Surrey

misses. Really difficult targets, such as a rabbit, can also be used to pay out jackpots - provided precautions can be taken to ensure that golfers do not cheat by getting too

He manufactures the life-size models himself but uses another company to supply the electronics. At first he started to make the targets in sheet steel but has switched to polypropylene because it can absorb the impact of a 200

mph golf ball without suffering damage.

What the golfer does not see is the technology that is behind the target. Mr Odell uses powerful computer-aided design software. The microchips he programmes to control the movements of the targets are, he claims, far more sophisticated than anything the motor manufacturers are currently

Nothing in golf comes cheap.

Dobbin, standing 16 hands high and a complicated piece of engineering, set the golf range owner back £1.800. The accompanying cow cost £1,500, but smaller targets

are on offer at about £800. For those prices the golf range can call the shots, specifying what targets it wants and how they react when hit. Business Link Surrey is giving Mr Odell advice on developing the business to offer a standardised range at lower prices.

# Students flock to put knowledge to the test

BY SALLY WATTS

A RECORD 1,350 second-year undergraduates took part in this year's Shell Technology Enterprise Programme (Step), its tenth year, working for eight weeks on project assignments for small businesses. Mark Smith. 20, won the £1,000 award for the UK's most enterpris-

ing student. He saved Autosmart, a manufacturer of chemicals near Lichfield, Staffordshire, between five and ten days each working month, the equivalent of £15,000 a year, by overhauling its computer. Mark, who is taking an honours

degree at Birmingham University in computer science and software engineering, said: "It gave me the chance to see computers in use in the real world." Simon Jackson, a Bradford

University student who won the best information technology project award, helped to create a multimedia presentation and mailshot, new Internet websites and ideas for a range of CD-Rom-based products. As a result his company, Procyon, a new electronic graphics business at Wellingborough, is expanding and

moving to new premises.

The manufacturing company award went to Janice Vickers, 20, who improved an aspect of the production process for Eaton, which makes gearboxes for duty trucks. This led to a one-off investment of £32,000, a saving of £80,000 a year and less stress for production line workers. Craig Flynn, of Paisley University, who won the marketing project award, researched the feasibility of an insurance scheme for club members which has become a new branded product for Thomas Bryce, insurance and mortgage brokers, of Greenock, Strathclyde. He also developed a business plan and marketing literature, considerably reducing the normal design time. The scheme is now available virtually throughout Britain including Shetland and the

Western Isles. The new feature this year was Step into the Environment, designed to help smaller businesses to combine economic growth with environmental protection. The £750 award went to Angie Winnington, 20, a student in Cardiff.



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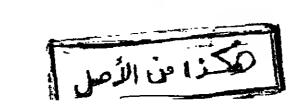
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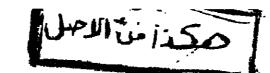
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Spartan yet inspired: Northern Stage puts on a powerful version of George Orwell's Animal Farm

# Porkies given a new twist

THE farm is a vast stretch of Cold War (Animal Farm is soft dark mud. The stars above are naked bulbs in wire cages. The Playhouse has been stripped to its brick walls, its workings exposed, for Northern Stage's spartan yet inspired Animal Farm. This touring production is a fiercely physical yet subtle vision of Orwell's fable about soiled revolutionary ideals

The actors initially trudge into this potentially fertile wasteland wearing old coats and carrying

cardboard suit cases like the dispossessed of 1945 (when the book was published). They are called, evoking more recent "The

Travellers". As one of their number starts to tell Orwell's story, they undress. In their slips and long johns they become Farmer Jones's livestock, on their knees in the mud, filthy as miners, their heavy boots now on their hands. Reflecting the complexity of Orwell's feelings about socialism, these lowly beasts rear up on hearing Old Major's dream of equality, newborn hope in their eyes but

then savagely snarling. Orwell was clearly pointing to Stalin's regime, but this allegory's significance reaches far beyond that era. David Whitaker's leader-pig Napoleon, having aiready hogged the luxuries, finally stands beside one of his former twolegged enemies, indistinguishable in their overcoats. One sees in a flash the end of the

called Manor Farm again). However, Alan Lyddiard's

THEATRE upart, **Animal Farm** Newcastle in the mud. Playhouse There are un-

forgettable images from a formidable ensemble. Maria Carrigan, her corset and stockings soaked brown, bursts into an aria. She trills in praise of Napoleon, her face smeared with manure. Arnfield's Squealer, with euphorically glazed yet suspiciously sliding eyes, is a chilling PR chief and henchman, telling huge porkies and holding dissidents under water till their hind legs stop

KATE BASSETT

BUILDING

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#### STRAUSS'S DON QUIXOTE

RICHARD Strauss's Don Quixote (1896-97) is the finest of his symphonic poems as witty, wise and humane as the novel itself. It does, however, require a formidable array of interpretative talent: a master conductor who is also a man of wit and sensibility; a top-ranking orchestra; and a quintet of instrumental soloists of whom the solo cello (Qui-

Strauss himself recorded the work in Berlin in 1933 with Enrico Mainardi as the solo cellist and again in Munich in 1941 (now part of a 2-CD Preiser set). On this latter occasion, he allocated the solo roles to the Bavarian State Orchestra's own frontdesk players. But keeping the work within the family rarely works in practice. Too often orchestral cellists lack the resources and the powers of projection that the role of Quixote ideally needs. Not so, however, the Vienna Philharmonic's Franz Bartolomey: a wonderful player who makes a most distinguished contribution to Arrdré Previn's fine 1990 Telarc

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staging (adaptation by Ian Wooldridge) avoids obvious portraits of political figures, The Farm can be the Steppes, one of England's dark satanic mills, the Highlands, Africa, an urban gangland, a playground. The battle scenes are set to music that blends bag-pipes, brass, tribal drumming and high energy electronic

rock. The chorcographed fights, a few slack moments are exhilaratingly mucky with xomersaulting bodies landing

tennis, apparently.

up their day jobs.

met Walsh's Last

Demi Moore, or a singles match with Dustin Hoffman. Toronto loves its stars. Every day the local paper, The Globe and Mail, advises the best vantage points for rubber-necking. Not that critics had time for that. We were busy choosing from 274 features. wood trend emerged clearly. Every actor with box-office

Whitaker's Napoleon, meanwhile, is a frighteningly weak specimen, crippled and sickly, tottering on his toes when making a rostrum ap-pearance. Ultimately, though, he proves a horribly canny and assured survivor, hands clasped behind his back hiding his cloven trotters.

#### indicate they should not give Croghan, 24, bounced along Broderick's Infinity had its happily on exuberance. Britain also knows how to

ld-fashioned charms, though it is hard to imagine a large make films for small change. audience for this static drama about the early years of nuclear physicist Richard Feynman (Broderick himself). Tom Hanks came a bigger cropper directing That Thing You Do!, a comedy musical about a fictitious Sixties pop group. This sat on the screen

Kevin Spacey showed more promise directing Albino Alligator, a variation on the Key Largo formula. Criminals fleeing a botched robbery take refuge in M. Em-

Chance Bar. Walsh is soon dead, but other interesting was in actors remain, such as Faye town Dunaway, Matt Dillon and Gary playing Sinise. Spacey weaves around tennis 🤊 nicely with a trackcamera.

ing though the lack of new kinks in an old situation finally leaves you locked up in a play.

But the most persuasive actor-director in Toronto was Albert Brooks, Woody Allen's rival in self-deprecating comedy. His film Mother brought the house down. Mother bristles with innuendos, superbly delivered by Debbie Reynolds in her first major role for 25

years.
Though Toronto loves to stargaze, audiences in this celluloid heaven will still queue for films from the outer reaches. Vietnamese cinema received a special focus. And many films in the developed world were made for a small budget. Claire Denis didn't spend much on Nenette and Boni, an engrossing tale of footloose youth in Marseilles, while Love and Other Catastrophes, a campus movie from

Canadian director in Toronto struck out further than Peter Lynch, who travelled into the Rockies to track a man's obsession with the grizzly bear in the fascinating Project

Grizzly.
The man's name is Troy Hurtubise, and his obsession stems from a close encounter with *Ursus arctos horribilis* in 1984. Then, he came across the bear unprepared; now he

made suit inspired by the movie Robocop. Hurtubise talks up a storm before Lynch's camera, but his words pale beside the extraordinary sight of Hurtubise and suit undergoing tests.

Two other Canadian films caught the eye. David Wellington, who made his mark with /
Love a Man in Uniform, sank
himself into Eugene O'Neill
and emerged with Long Day's

ling rendering of the Stratford Festival's 1994 production with William Hutt and Martha Henry. Another young talent, Lynne Stopkewich, showed her paces in Kissed.

destined to raise eyebrows through its subject. The young heroine, beautifully played by Molly Parker, loves the order and perfection of death, and goes to work at a funeral home, where she makes gentle

corpses. The film becomes a haunting meditation.

Not every Toronto film pleased. We suffered through Volker Schlöndorff's The Ogre, a heavy Europudding about Nazi days cooked up from a novel by Michel Tournier. We gasped for breath during The Secret Agent. Christopher Hampton's inert adaptation of Joseph Conrad. But on the whole



Sean Hughes, Catherine White and Pierce Turner in Trish McAdam's Snakes and Ladders, a gorgeous Irish portrait of friendship and music

#### CLASSICAL CHOICE

Richard Osborne

LIBRARY Don Quixote are currently available, and four stand out. Beecham's 1947 recording with the young Paul Tortelier has a certain quintessential stylishness about it. xote) is primus inter pares. despite some occasionally gingerly playing by the RPO. Fritz Reiner's 1959 RCA recording, with the great Italian cellist Antonio Janigro, is consummately

> recordings, of which his 1965 Berlin version (DG) with Pierre Fournier is the loftiest and most eloquent. Quixote as Holy Fool, visionary and Of all great cellists, though, Tortelier comes closest to the spirit of Quixote. Much as I love the Beecham, Tortelier's 1958 EM1 record-

played and still sounds su-

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work dearly and made three

ing (CZS 5 68736-2, 2 CD, £14.99) with Rudolf Kempe and the Berlin Philharmon ic is the one to have.

Shane Meadows spent £5,000 shooting Smalltime, a visually poky but hilarious look at lowly thieves who steal any-thing not nailed down. Meadows, all of 23, claims no formal film training, but he knows how to propel a narrative. This a talent well worth atching. The British Isles also fielded

Snakes and Ladders, a vibrant, gorgeously photographed tale of friendship, sex, music and laughter, from a lively new Irish tal-

ent, Trish Mo-Adam. McAdam's 6 Godard film relates the travails of two best chums, aspiring cabaret performers. Her script lacks the salt and vinegar Roddy Doyle might have sprinkled about, but the exuberant cast, headed by Pom Boyd and Gina Moxley, still make a tasty meal.

Feel-good cinema also arrived from the Czech Republic. Jan Svěrak's Kolya dawdied over its main plot - the relationship between a womanising musician and the fiveyear-old who lands on his doorstep - but it was hard not to enjoy the film's adroit direction, gentle humour, and cockeyed angle on 1989, year of the Velvet Revolution. The Prague locations were another

Toronto, too, regularly welcomes invading film crews — not for nothing is it known in the trade as "Hollywood North". In feature after feature, the forest of downtown skyscrapers stands in for the generic American city. So a film-maker must work extra hard to make a distinctly

pleasure.







VISUAL ART

At the Hayward Gallery, Robert Mapplethorpe's photographs confirm his visionary stature



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.. and the 35,000 figures of Antony Gormley's Field for the British Isles also come to town





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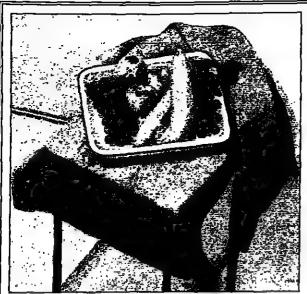
Tricks in oils:
Craig Mulholland's
intriguing new
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given a
London exhibition



VISUAL ART 4

... while in Cork Street the remarkable Jeremy Ramsey displays the fruits of his 'retirement'

VISUAL ART: Richard Cork on Robert Mapplethorpe and Antony Gormley. Plus other London shows



On the edge of artifice Mulholland's Fruit Dish

# What's real in painting?

IN 1992, just a year after graduating from Glasgow School of Art. Craig Mulholland had his first one-man exhibition. It was. above all, his technical facility which earned him atten-"Oil paints were invented so that artists would be able to build up their pictures in a series of glowing glazes," he says. Why paint in oils if you are not going to make full use of their properties? Borrowing classical techniques of chiaroscuro — though in a sort of reverse process - the rich dark tones of his subjects coalesce against luminous, almost abstract back-

grounds.
Yet Mulholland is anxious not to allow questions of how to apply paint to distract him from the narratives of his work. He uses the illusions which can be created in oils to explore the boundaries between reality and artificiality. "I want to play with the basic paradox of art," Mulholland says. "I want to ask the question: is a painting a three-dimensional space, or a flat object?"

A Focus provides a summary of his ideas. "The thickly textured spot on the canvas," he explains, "can be seen either as an object or as a hole in the canvas. If it is covered up with one hand the painted head, which before seems to have been looking at the spot, sudden-

ly focuses its gaze outwards and into the viewer's space."

The paintings in Mulholland's new show challenge the concept of any discrete division between reality and illusion. Intrusive shadows gesture the presence of absences, windows and doorways recede onto illusory spaces beyond, a study of a skull is redolent of vanished life, and mirrors question the actuality of existence.

"It was D. H. Lawrence's poem Peach which most inspired me," Mulholland says. "I have chosen the central conceit of Lawrence's poem which is the fruit's stone — 'Wrinkled with secrets / And hard with intention to keep them' — as my central concern."

my central concern."

Peaches, which appear again and again in his paintings, are a medieval symbol of truth. It is the enigma of truth which Mulholland strives to explore. "One day I may decide whether a painting should aim at verisimilitude or expose itself as a flat surface. But at the moment I am caught up with the paradox between the two."

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● Craig Mulholland is at Duncan R. Miller Fine Arts. The Music Room at Grays, 25 South Molton Lane, London W1 (017)-493 2393) until Friday

# Full-frontal power show

n 1988, the year before he died of Aids-related illness, Robert Mapplethorpe photographed himself with alarming directness. Already gaunt and prematurely lined, his face seems to be suspended in a black void. But he thrusts his right hand towards the lens, clutching a cane surmounted by a miniature skull. The death's head confronts us, its empty cye-sockets and exposed teeth in far sharper focus than the photographer's features behind.

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By the time Mapplethorpe took this unsparing picture, he must have known that his own death was imminent. He was only 42, and enjoying greater renown than ever. No bitterness can be detected in the self-portrait, though. His gaze is steady, devoid of sadness or special pleading. And Mapplethorpe's decision to include the skull rams home his refusal to hide even the most unpalatable aspects of existence.

As the earliest exhibits in his large Hayward Gallery retrospective disclose, frankness was Mapplethorpe's forte from the outset. Even in 1970, when still an art student at the Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, he made his fascination with the male body brazenly clear. In one collage a young man, naked except for a pair of boots, flaunts himself in a full-frontal pose. The homoerotic nature of the image is clear, and yet Mapplethorpe places a bar across the man's face and a bull's eye over his genitals.

As well as making an impish joke about desire, the bull's eye turns the man into a target. Making explicitly gay art in 1970 was a perilous enterprise, and over the next few years Mapplethorpe's work continued to betray signs of subterfuge. Maybe an undertow of guilt is detectable: Mapplethorpe grew up, after all, in a large and respectable middle-class Roman Catholic family. In a six-part Polaroid self-portrait, he juxtaposed seductive images of his

own body with photographs of languorous male nudes found in classical statuary. It is, perhaps, the most prophetic of all his early works. For Mapplethorpe developed as an artist by making his pictures more and more sculptural. When he began to collect turn-of-the-century photography, with his friend and partner iail, incu dist acquisition was an album by Baron Wilhelm von Gloeden. The male nudes in Mediter ranean settings deliberately stirred memories of antique carvings. When photographing a black nude called Alitto in 1981, Mapplethorpe placed the sinewy model on a plinth-like base and ensured that Ajitto echoed a pose found in von Gloeden's album. The four views of this handsome model add up to a deflant celebration

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of male beauty.



Vibert (1984) by Robert Mapplethorpe: his early death "deprived photography of a singular vision"

Mapplethorpe confined himself largely to a hothouse, studio-bound world. The results are all technically accomplished and, above all, fiercely controlled. But alongside this insistence on polished perfection, Mapplethorpe became increasingly open about his obsession with sex. Well-hung penises play a prominent role throughout the show, whether flaccid or fully aroused.

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the wing. Ultimately tedious, desire to shock.

But there are plenty of other, more complex and rewarding images to be discovered within his prolific output. The flower studies he produced during the 1980s show Mapplethorpe at his most severe, isolating tulips, trises and orchids against plain backdrops, shafts of sunlight or geometric forms indebted to hard-edged abstract paintings. Near the end he began photographing flowers in colour, closing on lusciously tinted poppy petals or the fantastic undulations of a lify.

Even so, the most impressive images often turn out to be portraits. A blanched Isabella Rossellini, apparently drained of blood and surrounded by blackness, proves a hypnotic sitter. So does Roy Lichtenstein, icily composed against a hectic detail from one of his paintings. Mapplethorpe's finest work has a nagging ability to loiter in the mind. By dying far too soon, he deprived contemporary photography of an intense, singular vision which would surely have deepened and become

less reliant on the diminishing attractions of full-frontal exposure.

Elsewhere in the Hayward, Antony Gormley's Field for the British Isles makes its triumphant London debut, Having aroused enormous public interest at other showings, both in Britain and abroad, these 35,000 terracotta ligures are now crowded into an otherwise stark, white room, Assembled in a more compact space than at their last location in Gateshead, the epic swarm of humanity seems less awesome here. But its overall impact is still impressive. Diminutive and yet overwhelming, these anonymous people stare up at us. Confined to a single doorway, we return their collective gaze,

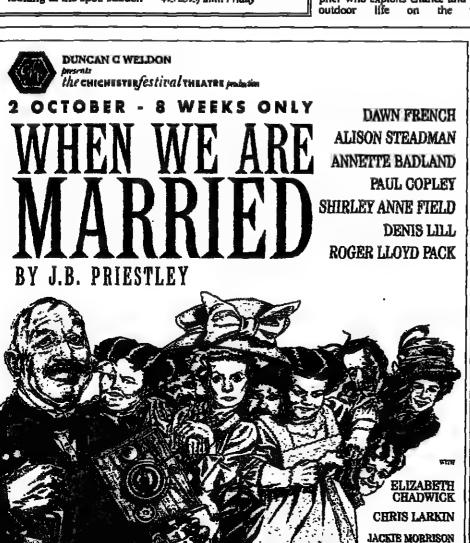
owering over them, we could easily conclude that they are frail and defenceless. So indeed they may be, but there is nothing despairing about them. Although they seem confined by the gallery's walls, and menaced by the low, dark ceiling, their faces are supremely expectant. They generate a feeling of suspense which gives the sculpture its remarkable power. And they cannot be pinned down to a simple meaning. Seen as a whole, their bodies come to resemble a colossal carpet, giving off an extraordinary sense of warmth and richness

dinary sense of warmth and richness. Field for the British Isles is undoubtedly Gormley's masterpiece, a key sculpture of the 1990s. Its purchase by the Arts Council Collection, with the help of the Henry Moore Foundation and the National Art Collections Fund, is therefore quite a coup. Celebrating its 50th anniversary, the Arts Council Collection amounts to a distinguished national asset. Its 7.000-strong holdings contain many outstanding works, most of which are lent to travelling exhibitions or museums

throughout the country. The latest acquisitions, apart from Gormley's tour de force, are displayed upstairs at the Hayward. Exuberant abstract paintings by Gillian Ayres and Ian Davenport are countered by tense, mysterious figurative canvases from Gary Hume and Julie Roberts. Sculpture is dominated by Damien Hirst's chilling and Rachel Whiteread's bu nished resin forms, but alternative media are strongly represented. Bridget Smith's mysterious cinema interior and Catherine Yass's luminous portraits are outstanding among the photographic images. As for Willie Doherty's dour video installation. At The End of the Day, its response to the IRA ceasefire takes on a grim irony in the light of recent Northern Ireland events.

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 Robert Mapplethorpe, Antony Gormley and the Arts Council Collection are at the Hayward Gallery (0171-928 3144) until Nov 17



#### AROUND THE LONDON ART GALLERIES

SOONER murder an infant in its cradle than nurse unacted desires. Or so Blake says, and Jeremy Ramsey would probably agree with the basic principle. He is a successful businessman, for some years managing director of Rolex in Singapore. But his underlying desire almost throughout his life has been to be an artist. When he turned 60 and moved into a new house which permitted him a proper studio, he decided that it was now or never.

The products of this determination are on show now at the Gallery in Cork Street: everything there was drawn or painted in the past three years. Such a story provokes sympathy, but also some scepticism. Wanting to be an artist is one thing, actually being one quite another. But Ramsey, as well

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as having some talent to build on, has also had art training, until he had to give up his early ambitions to be a full-time artist and could not be content with bumbling along as a Sunday painter. Clearly going back to painting was simply like flicking a switch and flooding his whole life with light

Indeed, light is the operative word. Having spent nearly all of his adult life in Singapore, he is saturated with the intense, tropical colours of the place. Obviously he loves Matisse; more subtly, he has taken aboard the Hockney of the Los Angeles years. But these influences have been absorbed and Ramsey has achieved a style of his own, summoning up a vivid world of exotic plants and creatures, or venturing boldly into ab-

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straction. Also, which is not necessarily the case with colourists, he can draw beautifully: his large drawings of oriental men and women dressed and undressed, have a classic directness and economy. Definitely a serious artist. The Gallery in Cork Street. 28 Cork Street. WI (0171-287 8408), 10am-6pm until Friday.

a ANOTHER artist who had a choice before him early in life is Ricardo Cinalli. He first shone as a musical prodigy, and opted for the visual arts only after he arrived in England from Argentina in 1973. He belongs to no school or group, and has developed his extraordinary and intricate style, if not in total isolation, then at least in total disregard of anything which may have

been going on round him.

These days his work comes in two forms, closely related in subject matter but very different in technique. There are the large pastels which are drawn on up to a dozen layers of tissue paper, each glued to the one before and then drawn on before it in its turn is covered by another; this imparts an astonishing luminosity, almost as though the light is filtering up from somewhere deep below the surface.

deep below the surface.

Then there are the small, semi-sculptural gouaches in deep box frames. The overtones in both forms are of Classical sculpture and Baroque painting, deconstructed and reconstructed in a somewhat Surrealist fashion. If one were determined to find a label, I suppose it would have to be Post-Modernist. But there is no knowing where Cinalli may go next.

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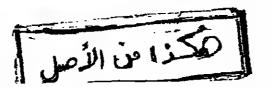
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# 'My dream has been fulfilled'

John Allison talks to 93-year-old composer Berthold Goldschmidt about his belated rise to fame

t the age of 93. Berthold Goldschmidt considers himself a happy man. He is frail, but his quiet sense of humour and large, laughing eyes are undimmed, and after disappointments on a scale that would have left most people embittered he is amused by his recently acquired status as a famous composer. "I honestly think it's very funny. If I had died ten years ago, none of this would have hap-

pened." By "this" he **6** My output means an extraordinary recovers newal of interest in his music. everything After struggles lasting more except a than half a century, all he frets piano about now is the title of Decca's concerto 🤊 new recording --Gold-The

schmidt Album. "I didn't want to sound like a pop composer and I'm still not happy with the word 'album' and its associations." But the word is being used in a literal sense: this album contains a series of musical pictures spanning his creative life, from the 1925 Passacaglia to the 1995 Rondeau.

Goldschmidt was born early in 1903 and grew up in Hamburg. While still a teenager he was offered a place in Schoenberg's composition class, but instead he headed music was shunned by the

how Richard Hickox described The

Apostles and The Kingdom on these

pages last week. The composer failed

to write the third part of his projected

trilogy, but the Barbican's Elgar

Weekend allowed us to hear the two

completed oratorios on successive

The Apostles. I was unable to appreci-

ate the recycling of its leitmotifs in The

Kingdom. But I warmed to Hickox's

quasi-operatic handling of this choral

masterpiece. Elgarian "nobilmente"

becomes emotionally rather than spiri-

details of scoring do not always

register clearly. But the constant tempo

fluctuations are so skilfully engi-

for Berlin to study with Franz

Schreker. But Busoni was to prove a greater influence. "He said: 'If you are going to be a composer, always keep in mind that counterpoint is essential to give structure to a piece of music. But always write in a melodious polyphonic style. not just a cerebral one.' That shaped my musical personality from the very beginning." Although a successful com-

poser. Gold-schmidt had to supplement his income during the years of violent inflation in Weimar Germany. He played celesta in the Berlin Philharmonic and at the Staatsoper in the 1925 premiere of Berg's Wozzeck. He conducted operas at Darm-

stadt, and put this theatrical experience to use in composing his first opera, Der gewaltige Hahnrei ("The Mighty Cuckold").

But Hahnrei was to be the last opera by a Jewish composer premiered in Germany before Hitler came to power, and in 1935 he was interrogated by the Gestapo. Within a week, he made for London, moving into the Belsize Park flat he still occupies. Relative obscurity - his



Berthold Goldschmidt: "If I had died ten years ago, none of this would have happened"

avant-gardists — gave way to 25 years of creative silence. He survived by conducting, giving among other things the British premiere of Mahler's Third Symphony in 1960 and the premiere of the completed Mahler Ten in 1964, but drifted slowly into retirement.

Or so it seemed. An unexpected 1982 commission for the Clarinet Quartet released a stream of works, matched by the issue of more than a dozen

The Goldschmidt Album is

pressed by the Third Reich. That fate befell two of the six works represented here, including the Op 4 Passacaglia, which the composer left behind when fleeing Germany. Until two years ago he thought it lost. When it turned up in an archive, he was worried it would sound juvenile: "I had heard only one performance, and that was 70 years ago. But hearing it again swept my

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Rondeau for violin and orchestra, both of which reveal a new serenity in his music. Goldschmidt has since set two more French poems for soprano and orchestra, to be premiered next summer in London. "These are my last pieces," he says.

"I'm quite satisfied with my output. It covers everything except a piano concerto. And all my dreams have been fulfilled — although, of course, I would like to see one of my operas performed in London."

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John Aler's Gerontius was thin of tone, over-generous in vibrato and under-characterised. Much of his part emerged in an all-purpose mezzo forte, in which invocations, fear and wonder

more into the part, but it was Peter Coleman-Wright, as Priest and Angel of the Agony, who once again delivered the most commanding yet wordsensitive line. The London Symphony Chorus was responsive and precise admirable both in hushed celestial semi-choruses and in demonic guise.

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# Morley counts Celeric out of Melbourne Cup

BY RICHARD EVANS RACING CORRESPONDENT

CELERIC, one of the most improved stayers in training. will forego a crack at the Melbourne Cup in November so as not to prejudice an ambitious cup campaign in Britain next year.

The four-year-old, bred and owned by Christopher Spence. has won four races this term, including the Northumberland Plate and two listed events at York before finishing second to Double Trigger in the Doncaster Cup. He had been allocated a lenient-looking 8st 9lb for Australia's famous handicap.

David Morley, Celeric's trainer, explained yesterday: "He is only a four-year-old and I hope he will be an even better horse next year. Sesame [his half-sister] certainly was and I just feel, from the horse's point of view, next year's campaign could be prejudiced by sending him on the long

journey to Australia. Maybe we are making a terrible

I talked over the weekend to Dermot Weld's son, Mark, who went out to Australia every time Vintage Crop ran. He stressed how everything needed to go right - you can't have any slip-ups - and how

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the race and journey take a lot out of horses. Morley added: "My horse is still a little bit immature. He is terribly babyish and, physically, he will improve. We would be taking a big chance by sending him. If we did send him, the experience of Vintage Crop suggests you could not think of running him in a race year, around Ascot time. If Celeric is good enough, it would be nice to think in terms of the Ascot Gold Cup but I would not want to run him in that first time up having been to Australia."

Instead of the journey to Australia, Celeric will finish the season by competing for the Jockey Club Cup over two miles at Newmarket on Octo-

The defection of Celeric leaves a question mark over the strength of the British challenge for the Melbourne Cup. Jeff Smith and lan Balding, owner and trainer respectively of Grey Shot, are expected to make a decision on the participation of their Goodwood Cup winner in the next few days. Intended runners have to go into quarantine the day after the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe.

Classic Cliche, the Gold Cup winner, will go into quarantine but his participa-

tion hinges on how he performs in the Arc. Victory might sway Godolphin to go for the Breeders' Cup instead, but if he ran well without winning Melbourne could be the favoured option.

There's a good chance he will go; the race will suit him and he's a good traveller." Simon Crisford, Godolphin's

racing manager, said.
Oscar Schindler possesses
the right credentials, having won the Irish St Leger in similar style to Vintage Crop. who collected that classic prior to his historic victory in Australia three years ago. Court Of Honour, trained

by Peter Chapple-Hyam and owned by Robert Sangster, is another possible runner. He races at Haydock on Friday. Meanwhile, Kutta represents Hamdan Al-Maktoum - who has won the Melbourne Cup twice, with At Talaq and Jeune after dead-heating with Ballynakelly at Newbury on



Celeric, nearside, will miss the Melbourne Cup to concentrate on the cup races next term. Photograph: Hugh Routledge

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EASY CHUICE 171 9th of 13 to Dear Life in conditions race at Sakebury (1m 8t. firm) MAGEL LAN about 21 3rd of 8 to Bin Rosie at group it best Van Gep 161 in mastern at Maymented (1m, good). DOUBLE LEAF 8byl 3rd of 4 to Samman in Selection: MAGELLAN

3.50 RON SMYTH RATED HANDICAP (£7,593: 1m 114yd) (11 runners)

(1) 18-4301 STAR OF ZLZAL 10 (D.F.G. (Abre Al Melatouru) M Stooth 4-9-7 ... A Claim, 59 (7) 00-0145 WELTON ARSENAL 15 (F.G.) (Besiness Forms) M Chanton 4-9-7 ... A Claim, 59 (4) 003550 MAGNAGNAG 10 (C.F.G.S) (Str Clement Fraud) S Day 4-9-1 ... R Houghes (9) 92-0035 SILLE ZLLJ 55 (D.F.) (The Valuntines) J White 5-9-0 ... S Sanders (9) 92-003 SILLE ZLLJ 55 (D.F.) (T.F.) (The Valuntines) J White 5-9-0 ... E Cay (1) 10 00512 MIGHT WHIK 11 (D.F.G.) (Abr D Benjamin) G ( Menne 4-8-7 ... J Desois (7) 94 (11) 00512 MIGHT WHIK 11 (D.F.G.) (Abr D Benjamin) G ( Menne 4-8-7 ... J Desois (7) 94 (2) 20404 APRIL THE BISHTH 10 (F) (M Sta) B Hits 3-8-8 ... R Cochrane (97) 2-1443 HEROGRA 17 (B.G.) (Hermoria Stud) J Gestien 3-8-6 ... R Phills (8) 220140 CML LIBERTY 11 (D.F.) (Michourth) A Stewart 3-8-4 ... R Phills (8) 933523 LUCKY ARCHER 8 (W Gradley) C Britain 3-8-7 ... B Doyle 91 handleast (4-9-9) Blas Julis 3-6. Note With 8-2 (3-y-4) Lucky Archer 8-9. (t. (4-y-a+) Blue Zufa 8-5, Hight Wirk, 8-2; (3-y-e) Lucky Archae 8-0.

BETTEME: 7-2 Star Ol Zilani, 5-1 Night Winls, 6-1 April The Elgistis, Blue Zules, 7-1 May Gest Valentines, 8-1 Hierachim, 10-1 Nammin, 12-1 others. 1995: TAKHLID 4-8-11 F Hills (13-2) H Thomson Jones 9 can

STAR OF ZUZAL, best Grand Motolca 2941 in Goodwood handicap (71, good) with MY BEST VALEZITINE, 15th better oil) burber 341 5th. WELTON ARSONAL 101 5th of 7 to Grans Puriume in Lingfield conditions race (71 440yd, good to firm), BLUE ZULU 1941 3rd oi 11 to Panata in Goodwood handicap (1m 11, good to firm), MESHT WINK unst Zul of 17 in Autumn Cover in Good-

wood handleap (1m 11, good to firm). APRE, THE EIGHTM 1141 4th of 11 to Decembed Huro in Donastier status mate (1m, good to firm) with MASHAGAMANA (1th worse off) 221 11th. HEPO-DAMA 11 3nd to Priyno Lasa to Huydock tamoleap 17, good to firm). AMAMAN 43th last of 9 to Gold Das in Chestar bundleap (1m 21, good to soil). Soilection: STAR OF 2022AL

 $4.20\,$  epsom and walton downs maiden stakes (3-Y-0: £3,648: 1m 4f 10yd) (9 runners)

G-2215 AMACOURT 7 (D Crownort) P Michael 9-0 A Clinic 56-0446 GUMAR 54 (D Crownort) P Michael 9-0 R Partners G-1 LAZZMA AFOUZ 14 (Straich Ahrmod Al Middourn) R Phillips 9-0 R Hughes 322 MOUNT PLEASANT 19 (PHR Proce Fair Sinters) P Cole 9-0 T Colern 322 SESSEAUS GO (M & Mirs & Robbes) Lord Hurtfroption 9-0 J Wisseer COL9-0 MACTERAS MICSTOLIE 109 (M & Mirs J Lagcock) Mics & Sandring 8-9 & Sandring 000-00 PETROS PRIBE 13 (Mrs R Marrell) M Bodon 8-9 R Cochrane 0-00 SURANS 41 (D Bittel) K Caminghan-Bown 8-9 S Wilshord D EL MACSAN ARE 6 A MICSTOLIE 109 Debts 1.0 Common 1-1 Common 1-5 LINASSAN ABLE 6 (W Gradley) C British 8-0 . . BETTING: 8-4 Mount Pleasant, 7-4 Services, 6-1 Gursair, 8-1 Unascallable, 10-1 Lazzim Alocz, 12-1 others 1996: TOP LADY 5-9 W A Swebum (5-2 lav) M Shoule 13 ran

FORM FOCUS

AMADOUN manul 77 Sm of 15 to Tarl in tensilical at Sandown (firm 31 9) yd. godd to Tarn). GUMAUR 7541 80h of 11 in Bestratom in bandicap at doodwood (firm 81 good to Tarn). LAAZIM AFOOZ 71 60h of 12 in Possessive Arists in trailden at Lingüeld (firm 31 108yd, good to Tarn). IROURT School (firm 31 108yd, good to Tarn).

GUIDE TO OUR RACECARD

103 (12) 0-0432 0000 TIMES 74 (CD.SF.F.Q.S) (Mrs D Rebrison) B Hall 9-10-0 , B Week (4) 86 Racceard number, Daws in brackets, Str-Equite form (F — Intl. P — pulled up, U — presented total R — brackets, D — pulled up, B — supped up R — natused, D — despatiblised). Horse's name, Days seep lest outing, J if jumps, F if fiel, B — Brakers, V mays, H — bood, E — Eyesheld C — course withing, D — distance withing, CD course and dictaons women. RF -- beats course and occasion women, or — possion become in latest size? Gring on which horse has won (F — Biro, good to firm, hard. 6 — good. 5 — soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner so brackets, Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plas any ellowance. The Tunes Progle Handicapper's calling

4.50 LADBROKE HANDICAP (£4,475: 1m 114yd) (12 runners)

SETTING: 4-1 Balanca Ol Power, 9-2 Don't Ger Caught, 5-1 Mard For Bedays, 5-1 Mr Mouseauci, 7-1 North Gent, Superior Forcu, 10-7 Malkos, 12-1 option

1995: DUELLO 4-8-13 R Cockram (13-2) M Blandard 19 cap FORM FOCUS

SERVARD SEVEN (21 7th of 9 to Konthary at handicap at Sandown (1m, good to soit). BAL-ANCE OF POWER HI 2nd of 9 to 10 Macanus in hundicap at Biophon (7), Barry). MAD FOR BAL-LEYS SHI Shi of 11 to Cope. Pelite in raind states in Laurastic (1m 21 m)ref, good, Previously MAD POR BALLEYS in and 2nd of 8 to (aconting biology in hundicap at Haydock (1m 21 130yd, good to litm) with MCRTH RESE (11b better oil) 1941 3rd. TYPHOON LAD 201 4th of 5 to Price Creat in auction mander at Brighton (1m 4), Britis). HELIOS

7% 6th of 19 in Colobuster to seller at Chapsion (1m, good to firm). MR NEVERMAND best Western Versure 'All in claimes at Brighton (1m, firm) with INEL KOS 21 July ABBOOLUTE UTOPA, 9 5th of 16 to TOUGHOUSE THE PROPERTY OF THE

COURSE SPECIALISTS

#### Bosra Sham backed for Ascot

BOSRA SHAM was well supported yesterday for the Queen Elizabeth II Stakes at Ascot on Saturday. The Henry Ceciltrained 1,000 Guineas winner was cut by William Hill from 3-1 to 94 joint-favouritism, joining the 2,000 Guineas winner.
Mark Of Esteem. William Hill betting: 94 Bosra Sham. Mark
Of Esteem, 7-2 Ashkalani, 8-1 Bijou D'Inde, First Island, 12-1
Charnwood Forest, 25-1 Soviet Line, 33-1 Matiya. Shake The Yoke is 7-1 "with a run".

#### RACING AHEAD

Robert Wright suggests the best value in the ante-post market

TOTE FESTIVAL HANDICAP Ascot, September 28 **QUIDE TO THE LEADING PRICES** 

Can Alle 3-1 7-2 9-2 7-2 High Summer Prince Babar 8-1 10-1 8-1 12-Cool Edge S-1 12-1 10-1 12-1-1-1 14-1 14-1 14-Decorated Hero 16-1 1h-( 12-1 14-1 0-1 10-1 10-1 114-1 16-1 14-1 22-1 11-1 Ramooz 20-1 20-1 18-1 14-1 Bold Effort ....

Russian Music 20-1 20-1 25-1 10-

Going: firm
2.15 (1m 8yd) 1, MUSTN'T GRUMBLE (5 Whytworth, 12-1), 2, Missale Toe (N Day, 7-2), 3, Bershoo (C Teague, 14-1), ALSO RAN 11-4 Lav Mystic Dewn (4th), 11-2 Meradeta, 10 Master M-E-N (6th) 12 Best Kepk Secret, 16 Blaze O! Calk, Bright Damond, Just Hany (5th), 25 Zacaroon, 33 Dragonjoy, Media Express, 50 Royal Intrusion, 66 February (tur), Native Lass 16 ran NR, Comeonup, NK, 2, 51, 31, nk, Miss S Wilton at Stoke-on-Trent, Tole £15-30, £2-30, £1-50, £2-40 DF: £23-90.
Trio £15-470, CSF £32-50

Trio: £154 70. CSF £52 50.

2.45 (719-ol) 1, IMROZ (W Avan, 1-4 lav);
2. Mustical Dancer (K Falion, 6-1); 3.

Reunton (R Hills, 11-2) 3 nan Hd, 2 H
Cecil at Newmarket. Tote £1.20 DF
£1.30 CSF £2.14.

3.15 (5i 219-ol) 1, STYGIAN (J D Smith,
4-1), 2, Kilculien Lad (J Quinn, 5-1), 3,

Rockaroundthectock (J F Egan, 9-1)
ALSO RAN 11-4 fav Danehil Princess
(Ath), 9-2 keen Walers (6h), 10 Dancing
Star, 12 Brofins (5th), 14 Grovelat Dence
8 ran 244, 44, nk, 41, 14, 8 Hills at
Lambount Tote £4.70; £7 70 £2.00.
£4 00 DF: £15 60 CSF £2.267 Tricast
£154.14 After as Stewards inquiry, fire

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20-1 20-1 20-1 20-1

16-1 20-1 20-1 20-1

Forest Cat

Kayvee

Leicester Going: firm

THE bookmakers are giving nothing away in the weekend's feature race at Ascot, the Queen Elizabeth II Stakes. That race is one for the purist rather than the punter, so those race is one or the purisit ramer than the punter, so those wishing to have a bet should concentate on the handicape, the most interesting of which at this stage is the Total Festival Handicap.

Roger Charlion's High Summer is 20th lower in this race

Roger Charition's High Summer is 20to lower in this race than in future handicaps, having finished second to My Branch in a listed race at Doncaster since the weights were published. However, her trainer said yesterday that she is not a certain runner, and she is unproven on soft ground, which is a possibility with rain forecast, Her supporters would be well advised to wait until Saturday. Prince Babar has shown tramendously consistent form in the season's top handicaps, making the trame in the Victoria Cup, Wokingham, Schweppes Golden Mile and Ayr Gold Cup, While he is sure to give his running, he has been edging higher in the weights with each run and may egain have to settle for a place.

Cool Edge was unsuited by the slow early pace when third to Aki at Goodwood last morth, and is better judged on his earlier Newbury defeat of the same rival. However, he is vulnerable from a 6th higher mark.

Kayvee excels at Ascot. He has wor there twice, and is rarely far away in the top handicaps there. He was drawn on

raylee excess at Ascot. He has worthere twice, and is rarely far away in the top hendicaps there. He was drawn on the wrong side of the track when fifth in last season's Royel Hunt Cup and showed that he is as good as ever when besten a neck by Law Commission at the same track test morth, when he probably hit the front too soon. At 20-1, KAYVEE looks sure to give his backers a run for their money, and is worth an earth-wey wareer. money, and is worth an each-way wager.

2.30 (1m 7l 16yd) 1. SARASOTA STORM (M Ferton, 7-2)\* 2. Etserby Park (J Weaver, 1-2 laz/; 3. Vain Prince (L Charnotk, 8-1) ALSO RAN 10 Lahvan, 20 Hallikeld, 25 Peep O Day (4th), 50 Jebanot (5th), 100 Boundary Bird (6th) 8 ran, 37s. 37s. 3s., 14t. 3s. 1 M Bell at Newmarket Tota £4.20; £1.30 £100, £250, DF; £2.30 CSF, £5.77 Incast, £11.87

ETI.87
3.00 (1m 41 31yd) 1, AYUNU (J Wesver, 1-2 fav), 2, Soba Up (A Cuhane, 7-1), 3 Royal Legend (G Barcheel, 10-1) ALSO RAN 7 Eden Dancer (5th), 10 Moolalit 33 Crambella (4th), 100 Meadow Blue (6th) 7 ran. 2h-l. 4l, 4l, 5l, 101 5 Wilharms at Neumarket, Tote C1 50, C1 10, 52 50 DF, 63 00, CSF 64 72.

NOUTINGHAM THUNDERER 2.00 Diamond Crown. 2.90 Shining Cloud. 3.05 Much Commended. 3.35 Dancing Cavalier. 4.05 Lady Of The Lake. 4.36 Lost Lagoon. 5.05 Triple

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 4.05 LADY OF THE LAKE.

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 3.05 Alvilde.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM (FIRM IN PLACES) TOTE JACKPOT MEETING DRAW: 5F-8F, HIGH BEST

2.00 BOLLINGER CHAMPAGNE CHALLENGE SERIES HANDICAP

(Amateurs: £3,150: 1m 1i 213yd) (16 runners) 101 (3) 1600 ETHBAAT 12 (F.S) M Heaton-Elies 5-12-0 F Brazzler (4) 86 102 (1.2) 4400 DELIGHT OF DAWN 10 (F.S) R Strange 4-11-11

103 (15) 0464 MONTONE 15 (V.F.C.S.) J. Jenkov. 5-11-10 M. Mannish (4) 92 104 (2) -000 FATRER DAN 6 (D.F.C) Miss G. Relevaly 7-11-3 105 (13) 1125 MAZILLA 6 (CDF,E) A Streeter 4-11-3... P Clayton (4) 90 105 (6) -000 PEUTETRE 24 (6) F Jordan 4-11-3... G Shendan --107 (11) 5136 ULA PEDIGO 8 (D.F.G) Miss J Craze 3-11-1 107 (11) 5136 LULA PEDIGO 8 (D.F.G) MISS J CREW 3-11-1
107 (11) 5136 LULA PEDIGO 8 (D.F.G) MISS J CREW 3-11-1
108 (14) 3005 KEVASNIGO 20 (F.G) 8 Hits 4-10-13.... C 8 Hits (4) 90
109 14) 3102 PERMS GOVERNOR 17 (BF.G) W Masson 4-10-12
110 (10) 1210 MEZZORAMO 31 (V.F.G) K Mongan 4-10-11 R Thornton 96
111 (6) 6030 RED TE AFFARR 39 M Bell 3-10-8.... R Waldey 90
112 (8) 5135 DIAMONO CROWN 14 (CD.F) M Ward 3-10-6
R D Green (4) 92
113 (16) 0453 MEVER TRUE 39 Mrs V Aconley 4-10-3... G Markhata (4) 95
114 (1) 6045 H ROCK 21 (C.F.) J Notice 4-10-3... M J H Assignition 99
115 (8) 6203 BOLD TOP 21 (8) 8 Rothmell 4-10-3... M J H Assignition 99
116 (7) 5000 HUNZA STORY 21 (D.F) N Limenden 4-9-7 J Vesto (4) 97

2.30 ASHTON CORRUGATED MIDLANDS LIMITED

STANCES (\$3,595: 61 15yd) (24)
201 (3) 5000 PRONCRANCES 15 (BLDF) & Margarson 4-9-5 G Carlet 91
202 (7) 5011 SPEEDY CLASSIC 12 (D.F.6) M Heaton-Elis 7-9-5 S Drowne 90
203 (11) 2012 MERRIE LE BOW 5 (CD.F.) Par Mischell 4-9-2
204 (8) 3510 PETRACO 7 (D.F.B.S) N Smith 8-9-2 J Branchill (7) 91
205 (10) 2313 SUPERBIT 8 (D.6) & McMahon 4-9-2 J Branchill (7) 91
205 (20) 4150 WADERS DRÉAM 5 (V.D.F) Par Mischell 7-9-2 K Carley 65
207 (20) Gard NORYS GRAB HRE 5 (B.F.) k long 7-9-0 Martin (hyer (5) 93
209 (5) 0-00 NOREACRES 12 (V.F.6) N Babbage 5-8-13 J Colon 75
210 (11) 4000 PLUM RISTS 80 (D.F.6.5) 0 Crispman 6-8-13 A California 21 (23) 2300 MANISAS 18 P Margin 7-8-11 ... J Egan 58
211 (23) 2300 MANISAS 18 P Margin 7-8-11 ... J Egan 58
212 (14) 4680 MALLAGH PILL LAD 24 (C) B McMistan 3-8-11 LNORMO (S)

3.30 (50) 1, BALLYMOTE (K Darley, 7-4 lav), 2, Donna's Denois (J Fortune 7-1). 3. Style Denois (R Havin, 5-2) ALSO RAN: 5-2 htt Or Miss (4th), 4 ran 194 let, 12, J Beny at Cockethern Tote £2.50 DF £6:30. CSF, £10:35. 212 (14) 4660 MULLASH HELL LAD 24 (0) B McAlabon 3-8-11
213 (1) 4-36 MIGHT HAPMONY 7 R Harvon 3-8-11. Uninton (5)
214 (18) 6550 RAMSEY HOPE 5 (0,7) C Fairburst 3-8-11 D McKeown
215 (2) 4000 OH SISSANMAH 30 F (5) JA Harro 5-8-10 T Sprahe
215 (17) 0005 ARMATION 48 K McAustle 3-8-8 - 1 Carroll
217 (6) -534 G MCARTAN SEM 17 (8) G Harbors 3-8-8 K Fairburst 18 (15) 0000 HEIGHTS OF LOVE 20 J MRS 3-8 M Herry (3)
219 (9) 5600 HEIGHTS OF LOVE 20 J MRS 3-8 M Herry (3)
221 (4) 3006 MARASCHMO 12 B Merton 3-8-8 M Carlotte
221 (16) 4000 MADAM ZANDO 3 J Boshing 3-8-8 J Edwards (7)
221 (4) 3006 MARASCHMO 12 B Merton 3-8-8 M Tebbust
223 (13) 5600 REEM FEVER 10 D Arbitrof 3-8-9 R Price 3
23 (13) 5600 REEM FEVER 10 D Arbitrof 3-8-9 M Festion
6-1 Specify Classic, 7-1 Mertic Le Box. 10-1 Month Harstenny Sanwhith Camer DF £6 30. CSF. £10 35.
4.00 (1m 16yd) 1, IMPERIAL OR METRIC (1 Carrol), 9-4 tev); 2, Time Cam Teil (0 McKeown, 7-2), 3, the Maserah (5 Copp. 50-1) ALSO RAN. 11-2 Fancy A Fortune (4th), 8 Lyous Touch (5th), Sheraton Girl, 14 Flutarch Angel, 16 Chranson D'Amour, 25 Hurghl King, 33 Rising Giory (6th), Samspet, 50 Silver Ra; 12 ran. 14, 31, 251, 33. 51 J Berry at Cockerham. Teler £3.00, £1 10. £1 80. £16.70. DF. £9.30, Tho: £324.50 (part two: Pool of £137.13 canied forward to 4.50 Epsom lodey). CSF £9.94. 6-1 Speedy Classic, 7-1 Merie Le Bow, 10-1 Hight Harrisony, Superbit, Gymradi Gem, 14-1 Patraco, Oh Susannah. 16-1 ethers 3.05 DHL INTERNATIONAL MAIDEN STAKES

(2-Y-0 fillies: £3,988 6f 15yd) (9) (2-7-0 Misses, 20,300 of 13y0) (3)
301 (6) 5 ALVILDE 18 J Fanshare 8-11
302 (5) 0 DAYNSLIA 99 W Mark 8-11
303 (8) DARSONADA H Occi 8-11
305 (7) 0 MISSERVITURA 5 M Prescrit 8-11
306 (2) MICH COMMENDED 6 Whapp 8-11
307 (4) 423 MURPLES 13 (8F) C Strain 8-11
308 (3) TYCOON (8FL 8 Mechan 8-11
309 (1) 0 WELL DONE 14 M Set 8-11 Pitacapot: £258.80, Quadipot: £10.60. | 7.4 Dragonada, 7-2 Alvalde, Much Commended, 5-1 Repalea, 12-1 Made Build, Missionana, Well Done 14-1 others.

3.35 MANN EGERTON LEVY BOARD HANDICAP (3-Y-0: £3,343: 2m 9yd) (6) 401 (5) 3860 ÉWAR BOLD 71 K Quantophom-Brown 9-7 . K Durley 91 402 (2) 1224 INFLUENCE PEDLER 35 (8F.F) C Britain 9-2 M Roburts 92 403 (4) 2633 DAMCING CAVALLER 43 (6) R Hollisshoad 9-2 404 (3) 2804 GO WITH THE WIND 15 M Bad 9-0 ..... M Fenton 9-8 406 (6) 000- TOPAGIOW 343 P Dahon 7-13 ..... L Charmock 89 406 (1) 4543 DUNCOMSE HALL 21 C Cyser 7-10..... J Cohen 98 2-1 Dencing Creater, 7-2 Influence Padies, 9-2 Ewir Bold, 5-1 Ge With The Wind, Dancombe Hall, 12-1 Tepapion.

4.05 MSAS CARGO INTERNATIONAL MAIDEN STAKES (£3,804: 1m 54yd) (10) (£3,804: 1111 Geyu) (16),

0 ATTITRE 12 C BRIBAIN 8-11

0 BORNE WALE 18 B Palling 8-11

0 CONTROL FREAK 25 A Foster 8-11

86 BRIBAIN RAPTURE 7 & Harmon 8-11

1 LADY OF THE LAKE 19 J Duning 8-11

MISHTLARK 0 Lodg 8-11 891 (1) 0 ATTITRE 12 C British 8-11 | 502 (5) 0 BORNE WILE I B B Palling 8-11 | 503 (6) 0 CONTROL FREAK 25 A Foste 8-11 | 504 (2) 66 BROMA RAPTIME 7 A Browne 8-11 | 505 (7) 3 LADY OF THE LAKE 19 J Duning 8-66 (8) ARSS KALAGLOW C WAB 8-11 | 507 (2) NIGHTLARK D Lode 8-11 | 508 (9) SCATILE 5 WANG J Goston 8-11 | 509 (10) SCATILE 5 WANG J Goston 8-11 | 501 (4) 0 SELLETTE 12 D Haydn Jones 8-11 | 501 (4) D SCATILE 5 WANG J Goston 8-11 | 501 (4) D SCATILE 5 WANG J GOSTON 8-11 | 501 (4) D SCATILE 5 WANG J GOSTON 8-11 | 501 (4) D SCATILE 5 WANG J GOSTON 8-11 | 501 (4) D SCATILE 5 WANG J GOSTON 8-11 | 501 (4) D SCATILE 5 WANG J GOSTON 8-11 | 501 (4) D SCATILE 5 WANG J GOSTON 8-11 | 501 (4) D SCATILE 5 WANG J GOSTON 8-11 | 501 (4) D SCATILE 5 WANG J GOSTON 8-11 | 501 (4) D SCATILE 5 WANG J GOSTON 8-11 | 501 (4) D SCATILE 5 WANG J GOSTON 8-11 | 501 (4) D SCATILE 5 WANG J GOSTON 8-11 | 501 (4) D SCATILE 5 WANG J GOSTON 8-11 | 501 (4) D SCATILE 5 WANG J GOSTON 8-11 | 501 (4) D SCATILE 5 WANG J GOSTON 8-11 | 501 (4) D SCATILE 5 WANG J GOSTON 8-11 | 501 (4) D SCATILE 5 WANG J G SCATILE 5 WANG J

5-2 Lady Of The Late, 11-4 Nightlank, 3-1 Seattle Suring, 8-1 Indian Regions, 12-1 Miss Kalaglow, 14-1 Asitive, Sellette, 16-1 others 4.35 DYNASTY INTERNATIONAL MAIDEN STAKES (£4,391: 1m 54yd) (16) (£4,391: Tm 54yd) (16)

601 (14) 5 EIPHORIC ILLISION 31 Mrs S Smith 5-9-4 O Picars (3) —

602 (5) 4-2 LISST LABOOM 167 (8F) H Cacil 4-9-4 ... W Ryan 90

603 (13) SAXON BAY K Commightim-Brown 4-9-4 ... K Durky —

604 (12) 90 WESTERN COUNTRY 491 E Mester 4-9-4 ... K Durky —

605 (6) 6 FAMILY MAN 173 J Freshwer 3-9-0 ... J Dahm —

606 (3) 175 DAWAN P Mischell 3-9-0 ... VR Swindsom —

607 (7) C KUTMAN 175 M Souce 3-9-0 ... VR Swindsom —

608 (15) 92 REGAL SPLENDOUR 14 P Cole 3-9-0 ... C Putter —

609 (9) ROMANTO WARFORK K Rindswater 3-9-0 V Sathary —

610 (10) 4350 FRESH FRILIT DALY 82 P Roberts 3-9-0 V Sathary —

610 (10) 4350 FRESH FRILIT DALY 82 P Roberts 4-8-13 D Wright (3) 89

611 (11) 900 ... THULL 396 T Enternight 4-8-13 L Charnock —

613 (8) 3-0 DAWANNIN 173 E Durking 3-8-9 ... M Hills 96

614 (4) 3036 HOLLOWAY MELODY 28 McKethon 3-9 J Fortune 74

615 (16) 35 BTHAATION 29 J Toker 3-8-9 ... K Fallon 87

616 (1) SUFUF D Morriey 3-8-9 ... K Fallon 87

616 (1) SUFUF D Morriey 3-8-9 ... K Fallon 87

617 Lapoon 7-2 Regal Splendow 7-1 Family Man, Decause 8-1 Internation 1-1

5-2 Loss Lagoon, 7-2 Regal Splendour, 7-1 Family Mart, Desonate 8-1 Internation 12-1 Fresh Foot Cody, Naturals, 14-1 others 5.05 HAMBLIN GRAND CASING NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-0: £3,261: 1m 1f 213yd) (13) 

COURSE SPECIALISTS TRANSERS: M Bubbage, 3 winners from 7 numers, 42.9%; M Prescott, 12 from 38, 31.5%; J Gosden, 11 numer 36, 20.6%, H Cecal, 20 from 66, 30.3%, P Kelleway, 4 from 14, 28.6%, M Wome, 3 from 15, 20.0%, JOCKEYS, J Reid, 12 witners from 81 ndes, 14.5%, D Hamtson, 19 from 79, 13.9%; T Sprake, 11 from 81, 13.5%, K Fallon, 13 from 105, 12.4%, W Ryan, 19 from 156, 12.2%, M Hills, 12 from 100, 12.0%

4-1 Swallow Breeze, 6-1 Trigle Term, Chalmans Daughter 7-1 Princets Of Hearts Spondoliciss, 8-7 Wildmoor, 10-1 others

Fillies offer classic clues

SLEEPYTIME and Red Camellia, second and third favourite at 11-2 and 10-1 respectively to Dazzle (7-2) for next year's 1,000 Guineas, are likely to meet in the Fillies' Mile at Ascot on Sunday. Also among the acceptors are Reams Of Verse and Sarayir, both quoted at 20-1 for the 1,000 Guineas.



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CRICKET: UNLIKELY TOP TWO IN CHAMPIONSHIP CONTEST PROVIDE MUCH-NEEDED WHIFF OF ROMANCE

# Poor vintage leaves taste of mediocrity

than usual this year, it is because there is less to be wistful about. Patrons of Grace Road will beg to differ, and those who watch their cricket at Derby, Headingley or the Oval will all have their winter-warmer memories, but the 1996 season, strictly judged, will rate pretty low on the

Internationally, it was always going to be a season in shadow. India, for all their charm, do not possess popular appeal and the European football championship relegated their visit still further. By the time a regrettably brief series against Pakistan began, the nation was wilting from the Olympic Games and England were being

depressingly outplayed.
It would have taken a county season of distinction to redeem this indifference and the one just past did not qualify. The championship was occasionally exciting, often intriguing and also had a romantic ending - who could possibly have predicted that Leicestershire and Derbyshire would finish first and second? But there was disappointingly little to stir belief in a brighter

Too many of the supposedly powerful counties performed poorly and, despite the improvements brought by a four-day championship with points for a draw, a good deal of the cricket remained a case of going through the motions. This will not be improved until there is a restructuring more fundamental than any I expect to emerge from the working party due to sit in judgment on the domestic pro-

gramme this winter. There is an obvious need to shed one of the three limited-overs

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Alan Lee on a season

that further underlined

the need for reform

of the domestic game

competitions. One knockout tournament is plainly sufficient and the anachronism of a showpiece cup final in September must end. Taking it away from Lord's would be like staging the FA Cup Final away from Wembley, but at Lord's the September pitches rarely pass muster. Play the one knockout final in early August and leave the closing weeks to championship

At least, for next year, good sense has prevailed on scheduling and two-thirds of championship fixtures will run, uninterrupted, from Wednesday to Saturday. With members prepared to grumble if their weekend entertainment is diminished, there is more need than ever for clubs to produce pitches designed to last four days, rather than simply to produce a result

Overall, the standard of surfaces improved this year and, allied to the incentive to draw when victory was unattainable, this meant that many fewer games were settled embarrassingly early. Lancashire drew more than half their matches, though this was not due to immaculate pitches; the square at Old Trafford eventually resembled a football goalmouth in February and is but one of several thorny problems to be tackled this winter by the biggest, most influential club in the country.

Lancashire exemplify what is

wrong with the English game. They have a team capable of many things but, because they have regularly won knockout trophies, they have subconsciously settled for this at the expense of the more exacting cricket of the championship. The members' forum they are to stage at Old Trafford next week promises to be a lively evening.

Warwickshire, champions for the past two summers, faded to eighth place this year and finished without a trophy for the first time since 1992. Dermot Reeve has retired, heading a list of departures from the county game that also includes Mark Benson, John Childs, John Carr, Paul Terry, Phil Bainbridge, Colin Wells and Steve

eeve is likely to re-emerge at Raunton next year, charged with restoring order in the Somerset dressing-room after the bloodletting that has recently claimed the captain, Andy Hayhurst, and the coach, Bob Cottam. There will also be management changes at Durham, above and beyond the engagement of David Boon as captain next year.

By turning for inspiration to an Australian, Durham are following a trend. On the field, Dean Jones, Michael Bevan, Stuart Law and Shane Lee were among the most effective of overseas players this year; in the background, Dave Gilbert at Surrey, Daryl Foster at Kent and Les Stillman, Jones's partner at Derby, were innovative and influential coaches.

The revivals of Surrey, who won the Sunday league, and Yorkshire, who will surely not have to go empty-handed next year, were heartening, for these are powerful



Ronnie Irani, Graham Gooch and Alec Stewart, respectively winners of the best all-rounder, best batsman and cricketer of the year awards in the 1996 Whyte & Mackay rankings

clubs demanding teams to match. By contrast, Derbyshire, probably the smallest club in the country and recently all but bankrupt, peran anthem for

underdog. Derbyshire, like Surrey, lacked a match-winning spin bowler and it is this area of the game that requires urgent attention. The

dearth of spin, and the lack of encouragement from pitches, is evidenced by the fact that either of these sides might have won the championship. For this reason, if no other. Leicestershire were worthier champions, their spin bowlers accounting for more than 80

wickets. The most inspirational aspect of

the summer is also the most disturbing. Graham Gooch, at 43, remains the best batsman in the country. His average of 67, place him on a pedestal to which others must rapidly aspire, for there is a

point when admiration of a nat-

ional institution turns to unflatter-

ing analysis of where this leaves

those of a younger generation.

SPORT IN BRIEF

#### Powell in charge for first match

DARYL POWELL, the Keighley player-coach, will captain the Great Britain XIII in the opening game of their rugby league tour of Occania against a Papua New Guinea President's XIII at Mount Hagen early tomorrow. The team named by Phil Larder, the coach, provides a clear indication of who has been earmarked to play in the international in Lae on Saturday. Keiron Cunningham. 14, the St

Helens hooker who is a member of the touring party, has withdrawn the transfer request that he made last month and signed a revised. four-year contract.

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#### Radford guilty

Cricket: Neal Radford, the former England fast bowler, has been found guilty of racial abuse while playing for Banbury against Oxford in a Cherwell League match on August 10. Radford, 39, who enjoyed a distinguished career with Lancashire and Worcestershire, admitted during a disciplinary hearing that he called Rupert Evans, the captain of Oxford, "a black bastard". Banbury have been deducted ten points for the start of the 1997 season.

#### Minali again

Cycling: Nicola Minali, of Italy, yesterday won the sixteenth stage of the Tour of Spain, the 222 kilometres from Logrono to Sabinanigo, from Stefan Wesemann, of Germany, and Tom Steels, of Belgium. It was Minali's fourth stage victory, but Alex Zülle, of Switzerland, retained the overall

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#### Statistical highlights of 1996 Britannic Assurance county championship Final table



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Source, TCCB/PA Cricket Record

#### Ferguson to miss key month ahead for Everton

By Peter Ball

PROBLEMS are piling up for Duncan Ferguson, Everton's Scotland international forward. Yesterday it emerged that a combination of an exploratory knee operation and a two-game suspension after being sent off at Blackburn Rovers on Saturday, could rule him out for

Ferguson's knee injury makes him doubtful for the Coca-Cola Cup second round, second leg at York Ciry to-night. With Ebbrell out and Rideout and Short also doubtful, there is every incentive for Everton to patch him up for

"We're down to the bare bones, the problems are mounting daily," Joe Royle, the Everton manager, said yesterday. "But this is a game we have to win, we are desperate to stay in the competition."

If Ferguson does miss it. he is expected to have the operation tomorrow, and will miss the game on Saturday against Sheffield Wednesday and, probably, two World Cup qualifying matches for Scotland next month.

"It's a blow to us and a blow to him," Royle said. "But he hasn't been happy since the first week of the season. He's soldiered on, but it needs sorting out."

Ferguson will now also miss two league garnes next month · including the Merseyside derby - through suspension. David Elleray, the referee at Ewood Park, confirmed that he was sent off against Blackburn for "foul and abusive language", a red card offence carrying a two-game ban, rather than for two vellow cards. The news may prompt Royle to revive his interest in Dean Holdsworth,

of Wirnbledon. Manchester City are no closer to finding a manager, but they had one piece of good news yesterday when Arsenal gave Eddie McGoldrick, on loan at Maine Road, permission to play in tonight's Coca-Cola Cup tie with Lincoln City. Kinkladze, though, is said to be doubtful.

Poole, Gary Birmingham City defender, has been given an instant suspension by the Football Association after he was sent off for pushing a referee on Saturday. The incident took place after Richard Poulain had awarded Manchester City a last-minute penalty at Maine Road.

Poole will now miss the Coca-Cola Cup tie against Coventry City tonight and the home game with Queens Park Rangers on Saturday.

The FA is also looking into the crowd trouble that followed the incident. Birmingham are already under a suspended sentence of playing one game behind

# Robson's revival aided by elixir of youth

his lucky star that, with Barcelona's cash, a pensioner can buy youth. As rain poured down on the Nou Camp on Sunday night, flooding the pitch and cutting out the floodlights for almost half an hour, his expensive team was having an almighty job trying to repress the Basque determination of Real Sociedad.

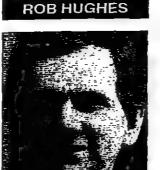
But then the youth of Rob-son's summer buying, Ronaldo, the E13 million Brazilian, produced two flickers of his match-winning flair so that Barcelona, joint top of the Spanish League, squelched out a 3-2 victory.

As the teams slithered on a rirtually waterlogged pitch. Robson jost the carefree countenance we had seen during high summer when he so enjoyed moonlighting as a columnist for The Times. Back on duty in Barcelona, his 63 years were catching up. his features taking on the worries that once seemed to age him overnight when he managed Up above him, at his back, sat Johan Cruyff, deposed as coach and still trying legal means to get his fiscal pound of flesh from the club. And higher still, Josep Lluis Nuñez. whose dour looks were those of a demanding club president, a man impatient to see a return on a summer that had rained pesetas on Robson's rebuilding of three quarters of

the Catalan team.

In defence, Vitor Baia, brought by Robson from his previous club, FC Porto, was overworked, at times overanxious behind Fernando Couto and Laurent Blanc. Those three foreign players, scarcely yet on speaking terms, looked vulnerable and demonstrated why, despite three wins and a draw from four games, the worry lines are growing for the coach, Robson.

The trouble was that Sociedad adapted better to the farcical conditions. Sergi, Barcelona's galvanic left back. who had given Gary Neville such a torrid first half during Euro 96, was to slide on his



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backside a full 15 yards and to crash head-first into a concrete perimeter wall. Whenever forward players tried to put a foot on the ball, or to pass it short. the ball skimmed away from them like a bar of soap.

After Sociedad had equal-

ised Ronaldo's early goal, who would extricate the anxious Barcelona players? First to do

capitalising on the return to the field of Sergi and a lapse by the Sociedad goalkeeper, threatened, still Couto seemed to ball-watch. Finally, two minutes from time, his mother watching from the main stand, Ronaldo struck again.

He really is remarkable, this big lad who was 20 on Sunday. At times looking gawky and unhappy in the wet conditions, he was to transcend the night. First he produced a delicate, accurate back-heel — Cantonesque in its invention. De la Peña, his colleague, knew what was wanted. He returned the ball instantly, Ronaldo had skipped into a yard of space and, as the goalkeeper advanced, the Brazilian controlled the ball on his chest and almost delicately, certainly deliberately, he manoeuvred away from the groping goalkeeper and touched the

There was time for another Couto error. Time for

penalty ... but no time for Robson's team to lose the match. Robson has already said that Barcelona is almost as demanding as a national side for Barcelona belongs. politically and emotionally, to the whole of Catalonia. The pressures are commensurate. The spending is extraordinary and the affinity between Rob-

son and his youngest recruit, Ronaldo, will have to endure many more nights before the assembled company at Barce-lona get off the English coach's But there are pressures all around in Europe. At AC Milan, arguably still the big-gest spenders and, under Silvio Berlusconi, the most

unforgiving, the new coach. Oscar Tabarez, is finding out

just how difficult it is to aintain traditions. His team had lost at home to Porto in the European Cup Champions' League and was struggling at Bologna last Sunday before "the goal brothers", George Weah and Marco Simone, got their act together. Each scored a goal — they now have shared ten in six matches - and by all accounts they share a social life. Just as well for Edgar Davids, the player sent home for insubordination by Holland during the European championship, lasted only a few minutes as a substitute before being sent off . again for injudicious use of the mouth.

Things are not what they used to be and not always what they seem. Arsenal, in transit to Germany for the second leg of their Uefa Cup game against Borussia Mönchengladbach, liked the sound of the Gladbachers going down 0-4 in the Bundesliga the weekend before last. They will not have been so enamoured with Monchengladbach's astonishing 5-I victory last Saturday over Germany's champion club, Borussia Dortmund. Suddenly the porous German defence seems to have stiffened just as Arsène Wenger travels abroad with Arsenal.

#### **Batty aims** to atone for moment of madness in Moscow

FROM DAVID MADDOCK

IF DAVID BATTY was look-ing a little sheepish at Newcastle airport yesterday. he had good cause. His last trip into Europe found him trading blows with his then team-mate, Graeme Le Saux. It is an enduring image, that night last November when Blackburn Rovers embarrassed themselves and their country in Moscow as they laboured in the European

Cup.
It is an incident that Batty has found hard to live down, but he is trying and is glad of the opportunity to do so with Newcastle United, for whom he will make a belated European debut tonight. He missed the first leg of their Uefa Cun tie against Halmstads because of the ban imposed after what he accepts was a moment of madness in Moscow,

He bears the legacy, not just caused by his outburst, but the way Blackburn submitted to a 3-0 defeat. "It was a shameful night all round," he said yesterday. "I paid the price for the fight with my ban, but it hurts that the continentals still see English football as being second-rate - partly because of our European Cup displays."

Batty, a seasoned international campaigner, believes that Newcastle, along with other English clubs, have the talent and technique to disprove the popular theory that the FA Carling Premiership is no breeding ground for potential European champions.

"We have the players to show them it's not the case." he said of Newcastle. "The talent is there." That is certainly true of the contest against a Halmstads side of part-timers whose only ambition is to enjoy a break from occupations such as gravedigging and firefighting. Beyond that is not so certain.

More relevant from this first-round tie is the team that Kevin Keegan, the Newcastle manager, will select. He has Ginola and Beardsley — and maybe Ferdinand — absent through injury, which will give Keith Gillespie and Faustino Asprilla a chance to lay claim to a first-team place. For Guiespie, in particular who has been in danger of frittering away his fledgeling career as he fights a wellpublicised gambling compulsion, the chance cannot have

come soon enough. "Things haven't gone right for me all year, but I am hoping that particular episode will soon be put completely behind me if I can just get a chance of first-team football."

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"It is very hard when you're not in the team, but my faith in my ability to make it is still there. I have waited for my chance and when it comes I

#### FOOTBALL

# Southgate ready to be put on spot if Villa travel badly

FROM RUSSELL KEMPSON IN HELSINGBORG, SWEDEN

IT IS a nightmare scenario. yet one that Gareth Southgate, the Aston Villa defender, will confront with typical sang-froid. If Villa draw 1-1 against Helsingborgs IF tonight, here in the Olympia Stadium in southern Sweden, their Uefa Cup first-round, second-leg tie will go to a penalty shoot-out. Southgate. unquestionably, will be among the first to offer his services.

Penalties and Southgate are uncomfortable bedfellows. He will not forget, and will probably never to be allowed to, his squandered spot kick against Germany in the semi-finals of Euro 96 three months ago. Yet he still believes in this muchcriticised method of deciding matches and, should the need arise this evening, he will again volunteer for action.

'My miss against Germany has, at times, been difficult to live with," he said. "I don't suppose it will ever go away completely but I'm getting through it and I'm trying to put it behind me.

"A penalty shoot-out is probably the best way to settle games. It's certainly better than tossing a coin. And the sudden-death 'golden goal' hasn't really worked as well as people thought it might, either. If we have to take

#### Alves to meet Souness over transfer talks

PAULO ALVES, the Portugal striker, was due to have talks with Graeme Souness, the Southampton manager, last night in an attempt to put his EL5 million transfer to the south coast chub back on track. The move appeared to have collapsed when Sporting Lisbon, the 25-year-old player's club, raised their price.

Alves was believed to have flown in to meet Souness after Southampton's match with Wimbledon Sooness said: We are now in a position to sort something out."

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sion club, was yesterday put up for sale. Reg Smart, the chairman, said that a fresh

injection of cash was needed. Carlton Palmer, sent off against Newcastle United on Saturday, has escaped being fined by George Graham, the new Leeds United manager, but will serve a one-match

Gary Barnett, the Barry Town player-coach, yesterday insisted his players can stage a Uefa Cup fightback from their 3-1 defeat in the first leg against Aberdeen when they meet tonight. "We've got a chance," he said.

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penalties, I will. As one of the senior players, I feel it would be my duty."
Brian Little, the Villa man-

ager, may have other ideas. He is hoping there will be no need, anyway, and that his players can improve on their sluggish display, strangely devoid of any thought or pas-sion, in the first leg, which was drawn 1-1 at Villa Park a

fortright ago.

Had they held on to their early 1-0 lead, provided by Tommy Johnson, Villa's return task against Helsingborg might have proved more com-fortable. Though well-org-anised and industrious, the Swedish part-timers appear to have limited ability and ambition. Yet by allowing a late equaliser, from Peter Wibran. Villa's mission has been complicated. A 0-0 draw will not

be enough "I suppose 2-2 would be OK but we have to go for the win. We can't really look at it any other way," Little said. "I'm not sure how Helsingborg will play, whether they'll try to protect what they've got or whether they'll go for it, but we'll have to score goals whatever. It's no different to the way we go into league games — we always go out to try to win - but if it doesn't work then so be it. If it doesn't happen, at least we will have learnt from the experience."

Philosophical, almost fatalistic, yet Little's undemonstrative manner belies a fierce



Southgate, who is still trying to put his penalty miss at Wembley behind him

determination to show that Villa's revival, since he joined the club 22 months ago, can be carried over successfully on to the European stage, Patience will be the key, with Southgate also wary that an unrestrained gung-ho approach could lead to self-destruction. Johnson or Ian Taylor will

replace Sasa Curcic, who is ineligible until the third round. Villa will miss his direct, probing runs, and goals could be a problem, too. They have scored only nine times in eight matches, with Dwight Yorke, as yet, unable to add to his tally of 25 last season. "I'm not particularly

worried - they'll come," Little said. Tonight, they have to. HELSINGBORGS IF (probeble: 4-5-1): S Andersson — R Nileson, J Erkeson, A Jakobsson, O Mileson — M Jonsson, J Lung, P Sundstrom or M Lartz, PWoran, C Fursh — M Powell Subeditates: b be ASTON VILLA (3-5-2): M Cales — U Briogu, G Soutingste, S Staurston — F Nelson, M Draper, A Townsend, i Taylor or T Johnson, A Wright — S Mitosevic, D Yorks. Superitudes: to be amounted.

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# A year in the life of a Premier League club, part two: Tottenham caught in tale of two transfers

# Ruddock on move after Hall strikes a deal on wheels

lent summer of 1993, Spurs de-fender Neil Rudthan most about the perceived injustice many of the players felt over the Terry Venables sacking. His outspoken views in the media took the player into direct conflict with his chairman and, after that, there could only ever be one outcome. Ruddock's agent. Eric Hall, helped engineer the player's departure from White Hart Lane, and his story of that move gives an insight into the machinations of transfer brokering.

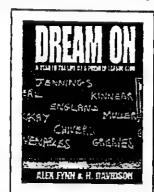
"If Terry Venables had stayed," begins Eric, "then Neil would have stayed. But he didn't like Alan Sugar. Terry Venables was negotiating a new deal for Ruddock prior to his sacking. Terry Venables knew the old showbusiness trick - you don't wait until your stars come knocking at your door for an improved deal; if they're doing well, you call them in and renegotiate a new deal."

But before Venables could offer Ruddock anything, the bust-up with Sugar came to a head and Venables was fired. Hall takes up the narrative: "Neil and his father-in-law, Paul Bennett, had a meeting scheduled at Alan Sugar's house. I met them prior to that meeting, at the Swallow Hotel in Waltham Abbey, when I told them what to say and what to do.

"When they returned, they confirmed they had done what I'd asked them to, but Sugar was having none of it. They were told that Ossie [Ardiles] would see them tomorrow to convey any improved offer."

But Ossie's offer was not what Ruddock had been hoping for. The player felt let down, and put in a transfer request. Almost immediately, Sugar circulated a memo within the club intimating that Ruddock could go if he so wished. With hindsight, Sug-

As a last resort, Tottenham could have simply refused Ruddock's request and made him see out the remaining three years of his contract. The swiftness with which the post-Venables trauma blew over once Ossie arrived and got a few wins under his belt suggests that stance would have been best for the long-



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term interests of the club. Hall agrees: "Sugar could have dug his heels in and told Ruddock the new offer was the best the club were going to

"He could have told the player, 'Look, it's more than you are getting now. Take it or leave it; but if you leave it, you're still here'." But Sugar apparently made a snap decision that the troublesome player could go, and that was that. "Typical Sugar," quips Hall, "act in haste, repent at

It was just a question of the club getting the most they could from the transaction. "To be fair to Sugar," concedes Hall, "he didn't play games. He set a price, £2.5 million, and that was it. First In first served type of thing. ar must regret the haste with The first to react were Ray, beginning with Blackburn. Jewish wedding. I said I hope said yes to everything, except we compromised."

at Blackburn.

"I know Ray and Kenny very well. I said, 'Listen Ken, it's not official yet, but within an hour or so you'll be getting They had their fax in within minutes. Two point five mil-lion. "I phoned Graeme Souness, at Liverpool, but it turned out he was here in London that day on husiness Hall said. So I got him on his mobile and told him the news.

'Meet me at my hotel,' he said. "Just as I was walking into Graeme's hotel my mobile goes and it was Terry McDermott from Newcastle. He said, 'Eric, have you heard the news? I said yes. He said, We want to talk to him. We've faxed Spurs and they've ac-cepted our offer. Can you come up tonight? "I said yes, fine. He said to

me, 'The only thing is, Blackburn have been in before us.' He had a little go at me ... ish, saying he didn't know how Blackburn had got to hear so bloody quickly when they'd only had the phone call themselves two minutes ago, and yet Blackburn had made their offer 20 minutes ago.
"So anyway, I unofficially

up Peter Robinson and David Moores [chief executive and chairman, respectively] telling them he was with me at that moment, and had they heard from Tottenham yet? And if not, why not? And to get on to Tottenham right away because bids had al-ready been accepted from Blackburn and Newcastle and so to get Liverpool's bid in right away. So, about 40 minutes later, the phone goes and it's Robinson confirming that Tottenham had now accepted Liverpool's bid."

Unbeknown to Eric at this stage, Chelsea had also had a bid accepted — all within a couple of hours of the news breaking. Unofficial protocol stipulates that interested clubs must be seen in the order that the bids arrive,



"Kenny Dalglish was out playing golf somewhere in Spain (it was June to be fair), and so Ray Harford flew down to London that night. We met at a hotel, where he made an offer which wasn't really acceptable. I said what we were looking for, which

they weren't too happy with.

That was a Friday evening. On the Sunday we flew to Liverpool. Souness met us in his car and took us back to his wonderful house. When we arrive, Moores and Robinson are also there, along with Graeme's wife, Karen. They really laid it on for us. There was gefilte fish - fried and boiled - there was smoked salmon bagels, apple strudel and smoked salmon sandwiches, there was chopped liver sandwiches. It was like a

you haven't done all this for me, and Karen said, 'Are you joking Eric? We have done it for you, but only made it more'. Every Sunday they have that same schtick.

"As we sat around the table, listed the things we were looking for. And everything I wanted, they've said yes to! A very good basic; a very good signing-on fee; a very good loyalty bonus. The usual three things which everybody has ish. I thought, 'I've blown here'. I mean, I went over the top, but they'd said yes to

everything.
"By then, the Sunday, the transfer news had been all over the papers, and I sup-pose the Liverpool directors were thinking that if they didn't get the player, then Blackburn would. So they one thing. They wouldn't give Neil a club car. They said that nobody at Liverpool got a club car, but that they would definitely line up a sponsored car. I did my usual schtick, asking if they expected him to

go car-less, or what? The Liverpool directors said, 'We don't do cars, but don't worry, he'll get a car, we guarantee'. I said in that case, if it's guaranteed, put it in the contract. They said they couldn't put it in the contract in case the club fell out with the sponsors the next day. So I went outside for a few minutes, talking things over with Neil. I told him that for the money he was getting he could buy two Porsches. But

we went back into the room

and finally did a deal whereby

and you

# Scholar loses Le Tissier to a greater love

ho's that, asked Irving Scholar of the youngster making his debut for Southampton against Tottenham in 1986. ome local kid," replied David Pleat, not realising that his chairman was already enamoured with the

In 1991, Man Le Tissier decided the time was right for a career move, and he signed for Spurs. Contracts were lodged with a solicitor in London's West End and the transfer fee would be set by a tribunal, as Le Tissier was out of contract. The deal represented a coup for Scholar, who was somewhat beleaguered over Tottenham's grave financial predicament. Come the run-up to the new season, the Spurs chairman would be able to announce that his club had captured one of English football's brightest prospects.

As often is the case at Tottenham, things did not work out quite as planned. By the summer, neither Scholar nor Le Tissier was at White Hart Lane. The chairman had bowed to public pressure and sold his shares to Alan Sugar. The player had bowed to pressure from the soon-to-be Mrs Le Tissier, who had made it perfectly clear -'We're going nowhere" that a move to London was

out of the question for the childhood sweethcarts. With the Le Tissier transfer low on the list of Scholar's priorities as his position at Tottenham hung by a thread, he respected the player's predicament, annulled the agreement and was denied his swansong.

In 1996, that archived contract was in danger of being dusted down as Gerry Francis made several unsuccessful approaches to lure Le Tissier to White Hart Lane. As Southampton flirted with relegation, they knew that a tumble out of the Premier ship would surely see their most prized asset exercise a contractual clause and seek a move that would keep him in the top flight. Encouragingly. Neil could buy his own car. So Le Tissier had told Francis that Tottenham was "my kind

going to move, then Totten-ham would be top of his candidate list. Perversely, he apparently told Chelsea vicechairman, Matthew Har-ding, that he would love to play under his boyhood idol, Glenn Hoddle |then the Chelsea managerl. In fact, Le Tissier was going nowhere until his own club's fate was

Linder Hoddle, it was easy to picture how Le Tissier's capricious skills would be indulged. But under Francis? It was hard to imagine the



Le Tissier: signed contract

Spurs manager accommodating Le Tissier by compromising principles that had aiready seen off a world class "slacker" like Gica Popescu, who was now drawing rave reviews for Barcelona. Just where would the player fit in? Would he complement Anderton in midfield? Or was Le Tissier to be an expensive insurance policy against Anderton failing to recover from his long-term injury? Or was there a sinister, longterm plan to sell Anderton once a ready-made replacement had been bedded in?

#### TOMORROW

The benefits and pitfalls of a

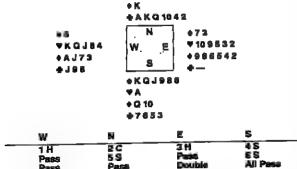
# SHEEHAN on BRIDGE

#### By Robert Sheehan, bridge correspondent

I have always liked the type of book in which you follow an expert's train of thought as a hand develops. Play Bridge with Reese pioneered the method. Play These Hands with Brian Senior (Batsford, £8.99) is an excellent addition to the genre (though the editing is sloppy). This is a deal from the book. East-West game Dealer West

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East's double of Six Spades is 'Lightner', asking for an unusual lead and therefore indicating a club void. Senior discusses whether South should switch to nNT, but concludes that, without a diamond stopper, the cost in 6 NT

Contract: Six Spades Doubled, by So

doubled might be too much. When dummy goes down after the inevitable club lead. Senior sees he has done the wrong thing. Dummy's king of diamonds means the defence can't run the suit, and there are twelve tricks in 6 NT. Is there anything he can do to retrieve the situation?

Most players would play a top club from dummy at trick one. Senior points out this is unnecessary, as East is bound to be ruffing. So Senior played low from dummy and played the seven from hand after

HOBSON-JOBSON

a. Higgledy-piggledy

a. Pertaining to mushrooms

e. Escarpment of a glacier

b. The Muharram

c. Neponsm

MORELLIAN

b. Art criticism

East's ruff. Now East had to decide which red suit to play back. As it appeared from the play to the first trick that South had the jack of clubs, East interpreted West's eight as his highest club, requesting a heart return. So East played

low on the club is a remark-Ltd. 0171-388 2404 or IPBM Mail Order, 0115-942 2615.

Robert Sheehan writes on bridge Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend

# Lead: Eight of club

a heart and South's diamonds later went away on the clubs. Senior points out that West was greedy - he should lead the ace of diamonds, then switch to clubs. But playing ably fresh idea. Play These Hands with Brian Senior is available from Chess & Bridge

section on Saturday.

WORD-WATCHING

By Philip Howard

a. A printer

b. A blackbird

c. Resignation

MACHEER

b. Gin

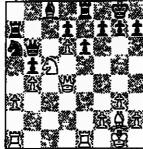
a. A saddle flap

c. A cheering mother

Answers on page 50

# By Raymond Keene

White to play. This position is from the game Staunton — Amateur, Scotland 1852. Black is cramped but solid. How does White destroy Black's defences?



EENE on CHESS By RAYMOND KEENE

#### CHESS CORRESPONDENT

#### Chess in China As part of my continuing series to

coincide with the Mysteries of Ancient China exhibition at the British Museum, sponsored by The Times, I report today on the second Tan Chin Nam all-play-all tournament held in Peking during August. There has been a consistent policy of improving the stan-dard of Western chess in China (as opposed to their own version of chess, Xiang Qi), and this has born fruit in the capture of the women's world title by Xie Jun and by the excellent showing so far of both the Chinese men's and women's teams in the Olympiad in Erevan.

Full scores in the Peking Interroll scores in the reking international were as follows: Zhang Zhong o'z/9; Liang Jinrong o; Eduard Gufeld 5½; Igor Stohl 5; Xu Jun and Peng Xiaomin 4½; Suat Atalik, Wang Zili and Li Wenliang 3½; Tony Miles 2½. Here is one of the more blood-thirsts tenses from the coalest.

Here is one of the more blood-thirsty games from the contest.

Miles adopts an eccentric open-ing in which both of his knights are developed at the edge, but Gufeld punishes him with a mas-sive breakthrough in the centre, before his pieces converge dev-astatingly on the black king.

White Edward Cufeld White: Eduard Gufeld Black: Tony Miles Peking, August 1996 Caro-Kann Ociono

Be2 0-0 65 10 Od2 13 dxe6 14 Be3 Riet hS 16 hS 17 Bd3

# gd5 Kh7 Og6 Og4 Nexg5 Db2A Kg6 Rh8 Kh7 Oc5 Nh6 BxC3 Oa5 N17 h4 Be3 21 Be3 22 Ng5+ 23 Bxg524 Qc2 25 Be7 26 Rd3 27 b3 28 Rf3 29 Re6 30 Rxc3 31 Qd2 32 b4 32 b4 33 Qe2 Oc7 Nh6

Diagram of final position

#### Veteran's defeat

Vassily Smyslov, the former world champion, 75, lost 5-1 in a match against Etienne Bacrot, the top French junior.

## Erevan Olympiad

There has been a free day in the Erevan Olympiad. Reports will resume concerne.

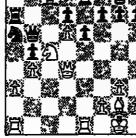
#### Times book The Times Winning Moves 2

contains 240 chess puzzles from international grandmaster Ray-mond Keene's daily column in *The* Times, and is available now from bookshops or from B. T. Batsford Ltd (tel: 01376 321276) at £6.99 plus postage and packing.

□ Raymond Keene writes on chess Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend section on Saturday.

#### WINNING MOVE

Solution on page 50



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# Europe beaten by numbers game



Walker, future in doubt

THE moment that Europe lost the Solheim Cup last weekend was not at 1.36pm on Sunday afternoon, when Kelly Rob-bins holed a short putt to halve her match with Alison Nicholas, nor at 2.04pm, when Patti Sheehan defeated Catrin Nilsmark. Perhaps you thought that the end came when Laura Davies, Europe's strongest player, hit an awful stroke off the loth tee and lost her singles; but no, that was not it, either. The Cup had long been lost by then indeed, since 1994.

Women's professional golf in Europe is a new organisation compared with the Ladies Professional Golf Association (LPGA) in the United States, which was

founded in 1944. It was nearly golf clubs and sponsors the 40 years before a women's event, and allowed the Ameritour got under way on this cans to alter the rules of the side of the Atlantic and there followed many a rocky mo-The size of the team was ment before the arrival of the

present wave of outstanding

golfers, notably those from

cial investment and coaching.

Annika Sorenstam and

Liselotte Neumann, from Swe-

den, are, respectively, first,

second and third in the world

rankings. There are only six

other Europeans in the top 45

compared with 22 Americans.

Yet, on an autumn day in West

Virginia in 1994, representa-

tives from Europe, including

Mickey Walker, the team cap-

tain, met with officials of the

LPGA and people from Karsten Manufacturing Cor-

poration, which makes Ping

Sweden, as a result of finan-

Davies, of England, and

increased from ten to 12 and the number of points from 20 to 28. As both decisions handed an advantage to the United States — the team with the greater strength in depth -- it was tantamount to handing over the Cup to them. It was an unwise decision that the Europe representa-

tives have lived to regret, because it highlighted the imbalance that still exists between women's golf on the two continents; a difference at its most evident in singles. On Sunday, Europe won only one of the 12 singles matches and, until the strength in depth of European golf improves, it will always remain this way. There have been 40 singles matches in the Solheim Cup doubt now. "Four times is enough, "Walker said. "I think and Europe players have won enough is enough."

It is academic to criticise Walker by suggesting that she should have sent Davies out first, as she did in many of the foursomes and four-ball matches, but, as this point has been raised, it can be an-Swedish men's and women's swered by pointing out that Pat Bradley's scoring, though not good enough to hold Sorenstam, would have left her one down on the 17th tee against Davies, while Michelle McGann, who heat Davies on the loth, would have been level with Sorenstam at that point - had Davies and Sorenstam

changed positions, Europe

might have lost both matches. The future role of Walker.

who has been in charge of all

She is right. The time has come to hand the reiss to Pia Nilsson, the vice-captain at Chepstow last weekend, who is a former tour player as well as being the coach of the

teams and Sweden's sports coach of the year in 1995. This would be a further nod in the direction of golf on mainland Europe and a welcome acknowledgement of the fact that Sweden has provided an increasing number of competitors to Solheim Cup teams - two in 1990, three in 1992 and four in 1994 and 1996. Together or singly, they have won more than half of Europe's total of points since the competition began.

JONATHAN DANIEL / ALLSPORT

# Father Ted goes home

BADIO CHOICE

Briefly back in his home city, the Irish comedy actor Dermot Morgan, best known on this side of the Irish Sea for his portrayal of Father Ted on Channel 4, half-seriously asks why he should give up living in London and return to Dublin. The best-considered reply comes from Maureen Cairnduff, author of The Irish Who's Who: "Acid corrodes the vessel that contains it"—a reference to Morgan's bestion left the Describin after an acrimonicus set-to with the state Actu corroues the vesset that contains it"—a reference to Morgan's having left the Republic after an acrimonious set-to with the state broadcasting organisation. Wearing his dissident's hat, Morgan calls himself Irish comedy's answer to Solzhenitsyn. And, although he is told about the deadly criminals at loose in the city, alarm is absent from his parting shot: "In Dublin, the laughs are on the street. In London, they're on television."

The Afternoon Shift. Radio 4, 3.00pm.

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RADIO 2

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RADIO 5 LIVE

For obvious reasons, we are given no clues to the identity of Jeannie. the 12-year-old who kept an audio diary about her troubled relation the L2-year-old who kept an audio diary about her broubled relationship with the teenage boy her parents fostered. More than 3,000 young listeners submitted ideas for *The Afternoon Shift's* features competition. Twelve were selected, including Jeannie's. Her recorded thoughts and interviews were edited by Helena Sills. The end product is the disturbing and complex case history of "D.J.", a lad whose defiance is expressed in threats to use a knife or spanner on someone. Jeannie's story continues tomorrow afternoon.

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AMERICAN FOOTBALL

# Allen rediscovers his touch to keep Chiefs in charge

By OUVER HOLT

MARCUS ALLEN, the veterreadily recognisable players in an running back whose career He was named the most began in a blaze of glory 12 years ago, gave another signal valuable player that day and a career of gongs and accolades beckoned. But it did not work on Sunday that he intends to end it in triumph, too, it was

winners versus winners weekout that way. While Allen has end in the National Football continued to excel personally, he has not played in a Super Bowl since that day. This year. League (NFL) and Allen and his Kansas City Chiefs came out of it with their status as though, the pundits are tip-ping the Chiefs not only to get Super Bowl favourites intact. Allen exploded on to the to the final game of the season scene in American football just but to become the first Amerias the game was beginning its can Football Conference (AFC) surge of popularity in Britain. team since the Raiders to win His 74-yard touchdown for

DETAILS

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THE first weekend of the

Superleague featured large

crowds and competitive sport,

with two games going to overtime and two decided by a

Nottingham Panthers made

the best start, holding

Basingstoke Bison to a

goalless draw on Saturday

and then beating Cardiff Dev-

ils 7-6 on Sunday. Trevor

Robins kept out all 37

Basingstoke shots and also

made a crucial save in the

final minute in Cardiff to

preserve the Panthers' one-

times in the second period but

The Devils hit the post four

single goal.

goal advantage.

Allen scored the Chiefs' Los Angeles Raiders against Washington Redskins in crucial touchdown with four Super Bowl XVIII in 1984 minutes of the match remainestablished him right up there ing in his team's win against the previously-unbeaten Denwith Dan Marino and Joe ver Broncos in Kansas on Montana as one of the most

Sunday, to give them a 17-14 victory and maintain their 100 per cent record. The victory established them as clear leaders in the AFC West division.

It was the 106th touchdown of Allen's career and took him to equal second in the all-time list, just four behind the mark of Walter Payton. He is 37 this year but last year, he led the NFL in rushing and the Chiefs were only denied a place in the AFC Championship game when they choked against the unfancied Indianapolis Colts in the divisional play-offs.

That day in Tampa in 1984 against the Redskins," Allen said, "I thought I'd be in several Super Bowls but now it's like I can't get back. I was amazed how easy things went. I remember getting to the end zone and seeing the Redskins cheerleaders crying.

But it is really the memories of the loss to the Colts that are enough to make me want so badly to go back."

Chiefs in the Super Bowl this year, though, Green Bay Packers, lost their unbeaten record to Minnesota Vikings, who have now won four matches without a reverse. Brett Favre. the Packers quarterback, who has had an excellent start to the season after his recovery from an addiction to painkillers. was sacked seven times by the rampant Vikings defense and threw an interception. Warren Moon, the Vikings

thank for a 2-2 draw with Ayr

Scottish Eagles and

Manchester Storm were

equally indebted to Marc

Groneau as they were outshot

57-32 by Bracknell Bees, but

managed to salvage a 5-5

draw were not the ideal prepa-

ration for the Storm's Euro-

pean League debut against

TBS Turku, the Finnish cham-

pions, at the Nynex Arena

tonight. In addition, Dale Jago

and Steve Barnes suffered

injuries over the weekend

which will keep them out of

the game.

An away defeat and a home



Favre, the Packers quarterback, fumbles the ball under Kansas City pressure

quarterback who will be 40 in November and has recently agreed a three-year deal worth £10 million, threw for 280 yards including two touch-down passes as Minnesuta scored a 31-20 victory, for their most successful start to a season in more than 20 years. It was another bad day for

Dalias Cowboys who lost 10-7 to Buffalo Bilis but have only one more game to wait before they welcome back their suspended wide receiver, Michael livin. In another battle of unbeaten teams, Carolina Panthers stunned San Francisco 49ers by inflicting a 23-7 defeat. The fourth game be-

tween teams with perfect records was to take place late last night between Miami Dolphins and Indianapolis. At the other end of the scale, Arizona Cardinals recorded their first win of the season by extending the misery of New Orleans Saints with a 28-14

result.

## SNOOKER

# O'Sullivan finds enlightened path

Ronnie O'Sullivan will be determined to consolidate on an encouraging start to the season when he enters the fray at the Regal Scottish Masters, which begins in Motherwell

He is leaner, meaner and certainly keener for success than of late after an enlightening experience on his way to winning the Asian Classic nine days ago.

During his five-match win-ning run in Bangkok,

O'Sullivan discovered that nurturing a respectful attitude towards all opponents, and to the game in general, is, in terms of consistency, equally

THERE is no doubt that as important as natural stone in weight, embarked on talent. He has always possessed the latter but his overall approach has often left a lot to

It has long been thought that when such a realisation finally struck home, the 20year-old from Chigwell would emerge as the obvious challenger to Stephen Hendry. One swallow does not make a summer but the signs in Thailand could hardly have

been more positive.
O'Sullivan ended last season under a cloud after a physical assault on an official at the Embassy world champ-ionship. In the five months since then, he has shed three a fitness programme and, most significant of all, has begun to appreciate that he needs to do things the right

The initial opposition for O'Sullivan will be provided by Darren Morgan, the dogged Welshman. Hendry, the titleholder and favourite to collect a first prize of £60,000, has a bye in the first round, along with John Higgins, Peter Ebdon and John Parrott.

PRST-ROUND DRAW: N Bond (Eng) v M Williams (Wales): A McNanus (Scot) v S Davis (Eng): K Doharly (re) v J White (Eng): K O'Sullivan or Morgan v P Davis v S Hendy (Scot): Doharly v McNanus or Davis v S Hendy (Scot): Doharly v Milliams v J Pame (Eng): Bond or Williams v J Higgine (Scot).

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#### they had a dreadful first tender, Richard Gallace, to Results, page 48 CACFING

ICE HOCKEY

Robins keeps Basingstoke at bay

period, defensive errors allow-

ing the Panthers to race into a 40 lead inside the first 15

Sheffield Steelers, last sea-

son's premier division cham-

pions, had a 6-1 win over

Manchester Storm, Ken

Priestlay scoring three goals,

but found the rapidly improv-

ing Newcastle Cobras too

good for them. The Cobras

were another team to lead 4-0

in the first period and, al-though the Steelers fought

back to within one goal, Newcastle hung on and Kelly Askew made it 5-3 in the dying

Basingstoke had their goal-

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## Boardman spearheads Britain's challenge

CHRIS BOARDMAN and Max Sciandri, Britain's only cycling Olympic medal-win-ners in Atlanta, where each won bronze, head the national teams for the six world road championships at Lugano. Switzerland, next month (Peter Bryan writes).

Since Atlanta, Boardman has had an unprecedented run of world track records and victories, the most outstanding of which was the breaking of Tony Rominger's world one-hour record by more than a kilometre with a new distance of 50.375km. Last weekend he won the Grand Prix des Nations time-

trial, when he beat Biarne

Riis, winner of the Tour de France this year, and Abrain the Olympic Games time-

In Switzerland, Boardman will concentrate on the time trial while Sciandri, who this year swapped his Italian racing licence for a British one, leads the six-man squad in the elite road race. Yvonne McGregor, the

world one hour record-holder, competes in both the women's road race and time-trial at Lugano. WORLD CHAMPTONSHIPS BOUAD: Bee road faice (253/m). M Sciendri, S Yales, J Hurs, M Skiphens, S Bray, C Newton Ellie time-froid (46-45m)\* C Beardman, Newton Espolin' road race (under 23, 168km). P Manning, D Millar, D Addord, R Hammond Espolins' time-froid (31 6km)\* Mashing, Millar Women's road race (190 8km)\* M Puris, M Hurs's road race (190 8km)\* M Puris, M Hurs's Road race (190 8km)\* Millar road, Y McGregor, J Derham Women's time-final (26 4km)\* McGregor, Derham

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HOBSON-JOBSON

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(b) Anglicised form of the repeated wailings and cries of Muslims as they beat their breasts in the Muharram procession. Hence this festal ceremony. Corruption by British soldiers in India of the Arabic Yā Husan! Yā Husayn! = O Hasan! O Husain! Hasan and Husain, grandsous of Mohammed, were killed while fighting for the faith. Used as the title of a famous collection of Anglo-Indian words by Yule and Burnell. Hence, the law of Hobson-Jobson, a phrase sometimes used of the process of adapting a foreign word to the sound-system of the adopting language. adopting language.

MORELLIAN (b) Of, pertaining to, or characteristic of the critical method of Morelli, which introduced a new, systematic approach to art criticism, insisting especially on the study of detail as a guide in the attribution of paintings. An eposym of Giovanni Morelli (1816-91), Italian patriot and art critic.

DNKYO (c) In Japan, the act of resigning or renouncing one's office or position. Also, one who has thus abdicated or resigned. From the Japanese in (in the) shade, retired + kyo to dwell.

(a) A leather flap attached to a saddle. Western US. Also machere. A corruption of the Spanish mochila. "Our saddles were of the true Metican pattern, wooden trees covered with leathers called macheers."

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# RADIO 4

5.55am Shipping Forecast (LW only) 6.00 News Briefing 6.10 Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30 Today, Incl 7.25, 8.25 Sport, 7.45 Thought for the Day 8.40 The Swiss Family Perelman By S.J. Perelman (2/5) 8.58 West

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(FM). See Choice
10.00 Daily Service (LW) 10.15
On This Day (LW)
10.30 Woman's Hour
11.30 All in the Mind. Anthony
Clars looks at emotional pear
pressure at school
12.00 News; You and Yours. With
Lesley Riddoch
12.25pm Word of Mouth (6/8)
13.55 Westher
1.00 The World at One
1.40 The Archers 1.55 Shipping
Forecast

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4.05 Keteldoscope. Paul Vaughen
sees the BBC1 dramulkation
of the life of the Victorian
explorer Rhodes, and reads
Cave James's novel The Silver
Castle

4.45 Short Story: Her First Bed.
By Katherine Mansfield
Leitz's mind is in whill at the prospect of her first formal bell, but will her partners live up to the expectation? Read

by Sara Coward 5.00 PM, with Peter Hunt and Charlie Lee-Potter 5.50

Shipping Forecast 5.55
Weather
8.00 Str. O'Clock Mens.
8.30 England's Glory, A comedy
by Janey Preger. The arrival
of the cameras seems to offer
Morgan Jeffries welcome
publicity for his Heritage
Village. With Keith Barron and
Lynda Barron (r)
7.00 News. 7.05 The Archers
7.20 Fite on 4. Roisin McAutey
reports on topical issues at

reports on topical issues at home and abroad 8.00 Science Now, Pater Evans with the latest scientific

discoveries (r) 8.30 The Network. The morning routine of rise, breakfast and travel to work is already less common, but in the

common, but in the information age will it disappear completely? What is the future of work?

9.00 In Touch. Peter White with news, views and information for visually impaired people

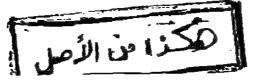
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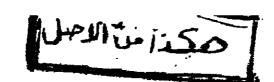
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Brighton Book at Bedtime: The Great Gateby. Sam Robards reads F. Scott Fitzgerald's classic (2/10) 11.00 Medjumwaye 11.00 Mediumwave (r)
11.30 On the Ropes. Alan Clark bleccesses furbulent times in his caree (r)
12.00 News incl 12.27am Weather

12.30 The Late Book: Agrongst Women. Tony Doyle reads John McGahem's story. Michael Jeaves home (7/10) (r) 12.48 Shipping Forecast 1.00 As World Service

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# Mysterious affair of a suspicious journalist

As Hero so many times on television that it's a handwritten will after the death of one Walter Joslin, and copped all his dosh. Joslin's neighbours and writer L.P. Hartley, for example, he had just published a novel called *The Will and the Way*. She e have had the Journalist As Hero so many times shock when a programme like last night's Cutting Edge comes along (Channel 4) to give us Journalist as Sad Barrand. "Get a life," I kept telling Tom Tanner, the writer at the centre of this film. Good grief. he seemed to spend all his waking hours investigating a little old lady in Hampstead who occasionally (three or four times in 20 years) benefited from hastily changed wills. "You should get out more." I advised, "There are fine theatres and cinemas in Hampstead; also many restaurants!" But he sat grimly in his home, tapping the keyboard of his Powerbook and lealing through cuttings under a pool of lamplight, as if in pursuit of a Nazi war criminal who had so far cluded justice.

I just couldn't see his problem. This little old lady — Sybil Dreda-Owen - had produced a scrappy

sole surviving relative smelt a rat ("uncharacteristic" they said), yet it was quite apparent that the will was not forged, or anything so sinister - Joslin had signed it in an art shop, with two witnesses, and had signed a similar version in Waterstone's. Had she exerted "undue influence", then? Well, she sounded like the sort of woman who exerts undue influence in a Post Office queue - pushy, manipulative, garrulous. But there is no law against it, or we wouldn't have a House of Commons.

However, Tanner (that sad man) evidently felt it his duty to expose the woman on television, which is apparently his democratic right. He retraced her career, finding her the beneficiary (or attempted beneficiary) of other men's wills, and choosing her patsies with appre-ciable wit. When she targeted the

also approached Bodkin Adams. the infamous doctor convicted of murdering a patient for the money. I imagine her this week engrossed in the tribulations of Dr Richard Locke in The Archers suspected of interested negligence in the case of "Old Mrs Barraclough" — the Bodkin Adams of Borsetshire. It would seem to be right up her street.

suppose we should all be warned, that's all. Look out for . a small, plausible woman in a headscarf who will talk you into writing a new will. When you offer her a biscuit, she will put the whole packet in her handbag, so she's easy to spot. Perhaps Tanner wanted to hint at worse, and wasn't allowed to. I don't know. But as it stood, his interest really did seem unhealthy and unjustiREVIEW



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fied, and his findings too feeble for an hour of prime-time telly. On BBC2, People's Century reached 1948 and postwar boom the first and only optimistic period in the whole hundred years, so no wonder it was enjoyable. Italians bought washing-machines, Germans made cars, and Americans gave us the money, under the Marshall Plan. "Mummy," piped a schoolboy in a public informa-

American aid is a good thing?" (Schoolboys were so different in those days.) Gratifyingly, Mummy set down her shopping, and snapped. "I've no idea. You'd better ask your father. I've got far too much else to do."

This was an excellent instalment - all black-and-white telly advertisements and factory floors, with the American footage in grainy colour to underline the difference in lifestyles. As always, however, it was possible to be distracted by the discreet soundtrack added to the footage - an artifice which always draws attention to itself, in my opinion. A Neapolitan woman scrabbling in a bomb site tosses aside a piece of timber. "Dink", it goes. Well, how many other noises did they try before settling for that one? "Plonk" and "Plank" must surely have made it to the last three. And do they have different station hubbub noises for different

tion film, "do you think this nationalities? There's a hiss of steam, a murmur, a cycle bell. But surely the Italians make a different rhubarh noise from the English even if the final effect is of a crowd heard through a tank of water?

> The clever trick of People's Century is to track down ordinary people who participated in big newsreel events. The Marshall Plan gave a tractor to a French farmer - 50 years later, his son remembers the difference it made. A huge milling machine from Chicago arrives in Turin, its trundling juggernaut progress watched by thousands — we interview the man on the spot! And meanwhile the blokes in the soundproofed room with the tray of gravel and clip-clop coconuts continue to have a high old time. In its second series, Game On (BBC2) has turned schematic, but to good effect. Writers Andrew Davies and Bernadene Davis have

rewarded virginal Martin (Matthew Cottle) with a lusty Irish girlfriend; and exposed Mandy (Samantha Janus) and Matthew (Neil Stuke) to their worst sexual nightmares: respectively celibacy and homoeroticism. When I requested a tape of Game On from the BBC, they warned me not to expect "the usual Andrew Davies" - meaning Middlemarch, 1 suppose, from which all references to shagging" and "sad b""ds" were tastefully excised.

Being entirely centred on sex. Game On can be that rare thing: a perfect sit-com. If the action rarely leaves the flat, blame dramatic choice, not cheap production. The characters are great; their situa-tions heightened, but still recogni-sable, Mandy brings her Italian rutor home, and panies. "You don't have to sleep with him," advises Manhew. She screws up her face. "But he's in the flat now," she whines.

6.00am Business Breakfast (56618) 7.00 BBC Breakfast News (Ceetax) (87989) 9.00 Breakfast News Extra (Caelax)

9.20 Style Challenge (s) (3259499) 9.45 Kilroy (s) (1908705)

10.30 Can't Cook, Won't Cook (s) (56434) 11.00 News and weather (Ceetax) (4297637) 11.05 Liberal Democratic Conference 96. Live coverage from Brighton including a

debate on home affairs (s), includes news and weather at midday (32318724) 1.00pm News and weather (Ceelax) (80076) 1.30 Regional News and weather (45940415) 1.40 Neighbours (Ceeiax) (s) (32218434) 2.00 Call My Bluff (s) (6883927) 2.35 Turnabout (s) (1412705) 3.00 The Terrace (s) (8786)

3.30 Brum (r) (s) (6843873) 3.40 Romus indeer (s) (401 1637) 3.50 The Ali New Popeye Show (r) (Caefax) (8783415) 4.10 Oscar's Orchestra elax) (s) (7200076) 4.35 Grange Hill (r) (Ceelax) (s) (4426182) 5,00

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around (Ceelex) (7516298) 5.10 Byker Grove. New series of the drama set in a community centre (Ceelax) (2229057)

5.35 Neighbours (r) (Caelax) (s) (476182) 6.00 News and weather (Cestax) (811) 6.30 Regional news magazines (163) 7.00 Plance Holiday. Jill Dando returns with a new series of the travel

show (Ceefex) (s) (3095) 7.30 EastEnders. Phil is having a tew problems remembering just exactly what it was he did last night, while Kathy is shocked to discover what has been happening to lan and Cindy's marriage. Lorraine becomes concerned by Joe's Increasingly odd behavlour (Ceefax) (a)

8.00 Sportanight Special. Live coverage of the second-leg Uefa Cup match between Helsingborgs and Aston Villa from Sweden (s) (16975255)

subject to change and siteration

9.55 News, regional news and weather

10.25 FILM: Payoff (1943) starring Lee Tracy, and Jack La Rue. Les Tracy, whose career was on the decline, delivers a line career was on the decline, deliv performance in this otherwise disappointing thriller, as a journalist who tums murdered a lawyer involved in an Draviuss (Ceelax) (618328)

12.20 FILM: Affair with a Stranger (1953, b/w) Romantic comedy staming Jean Simmons, Victor Mature and Mary Jo Tarola., Monica Lewis, Jane Darwell and Nicholas Jov. A group of Itlends reminisce about the moment when a hit playwright and his wife were on the point of divorce. Simmons and Mature are a successful pairing but the rest of the cast seem sedate and the fun doesn't always catch fire. Directed by Roy Rowland

1.35-1.40am Weather (7668767)

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6.50 The Capitan Reef (8293683) 7.15 See Hear Breakfast News (Ceelex and signing) (8315434)

7.30 Alvin and the Chipmunks (9667724)
7.55 Blue Peter (r) (Ceefax) (s) (2819960) 8.20 Fireman Sem (6710927) 8.35 Lassie (2288434) 9.00 Daytime on Two: Standard Grade

Design (8291347) 9.20 The RE Collection (9554881) 9.45 Watch (8317618) 10.00 Playdaya (64540) 10.30 Come Outside (5452892) 10.46 Science Zone — People (1323057) 11.05 Space Ark (4278502) 11.15 Clementine (5309811) 11.30 GNVQ TV (1095) 12.00 See Heart (45328) 12.30pm Working Lunch (78417) 1.00 Teaching Today (88618) 1.30 Showcase (45948057)

1.40 Hotch Potch House (32216078) 2.00 Fireman Sam (61038057) 2.10 Liberal Democratic Conference (482057) 3.55 News (Ceetax) and

weather (4428434) 4.00 Today's the Day (2) (795) 4.30 Ready, Steady, Cook (s) (960) 5.00 The Oprah Wintrey Show (Ceelad) (9172434) 5.40 A Week to Remember (b/w) (258873) 5.50 Lifeline (r) (Ceefax) (s) (192279)

5.00 Heartbreak High (Cestax) (s) (419250) 6.45 Conference Talk. Andrew Nell with a round-up of the day's proceedings at the Liberal Democrat conference in Brighton and a live phone-in in which viewers can question Charles Kennedy, the Liberal Democrat spokesman on European Union atfairs (s) (641182)

7.30 The Chemistry of (Almost) Everything. An investigation into the way that chemistry affects our lives (Cested) (s)

8.00 Pound for Pound. Includes a look at who will really benefit from Virgin Direct offering cut-price pensions and investmenta (s) (7057)

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Prespectors dig for gold (9.00pm)

9.50 Trade Secrets. Travel tips for hassie-free holidays (Ceelax) (s) (534927) 10.00 Hancock (b/w) (r) (Ceelax) (46057) 10.30 Newsnight (Ceefax) (540811)

11.15 Over the Edge (Ceelax) (s) (896873) 11.45 Favourite Flims. Martin Scorsese talks about growing up in New York and the films that have influenced his work (r) (Ceetax) (695144)

12.15am Who's a Clever Boy? (r) (5214767) 12,30-6,00 The Learning Zone

CHOICE

BBC1, 5.10pm When youth programming is good it can easily blur the boundaries of age. Grange Hill was one such series, Byker Grove is another. Back for an eighth run, the Newcastle youth club opens its doors to tackle issues such as tecnage marriage, racial violence and juvenile offenders. In the first episode, the relationship between Gary and Angel is one of the main storylines. He wants to get married as soon as rescible. wants to get married as soon as nossible. Angel is not so sure. Worked into the plot is a warning about the dangers of taking rides from strangers, however innocent they may seem. But it is not all finger-wagging stuff. There is a poke at some children's game shows in a spoof called Ritual Humiliation. which dishes out just that. If only some of the adult soaps were this inventive.

BBC1, 7.00pm

Summer might well just be over but we are not safe from the holiday programme. Having spent our money on a cottage in the Dordogne or a trip to Disneyland, it is the job of Jill Dando and company to tell us where we could have had a much better time for much less if only we had gone somewhere else. Coming up in the series is Cliff "Heathcliff" Richard trekking round the Yorkshire Moors (poor Cliff) — if he was in a rerun of Summer Holiday they would have sent him somewhere sunny — while Martin Clunes behaves himself in San Francisco and Hawaii. In the first programme, Jill Dando goes to exotic Ball, Kirsty Young gets covered in sand, mud and water in the thermal island of Ischia, and there is a new item about continental holidays for under

Timewatch BBC2, 9.00mm

In the colourful words of local historian Stave Hites, when gold was discovered in the Klondyke in 1896, it was "lying like cheese on a sandwich". News spread "like a prairie fire on a hot day in Kansas", but what the thousands injected by gold fever did not know was that all the worthwhile claims were gone a whole year before the news had even got out. Timewatch traces the stories of those who hoped to find gold and those who made it — first by exploiting the prospectors and then via the tourist trade. Desperate Dan McGrew and other fictional characters have nothing on the real-life exploits of those who made Dawson City a legend. Truth is infinitely stranger than fiction in the enthusiastic hands of Hites. This is a seething, lively and sometimes incredible tale brought to life by the stories the old folk can tell.

Witness: Love Child Channel 4, 9,00pm

The Swinging Sixties were supposed to be a time of free love and free sex. Of course, it was no such thing. Sex outside marriage was still considered a mortal sin and getting pregnant meant banishment from society These girls were sent to mother-and-baby nomes run by the Church whose job it was to rehabilitate them and set them back on the correct road to morality. Three women who got pregnant during the Sixties recount their awful experiences to camera with the aid of archive footage. Denied access to contraception or sex education, these women found out the hard way how babies were made. The Church-run homes were little better than prisons with routine labours meted out to the girls and a lock-in every evening. The final atonement of their sins was the relinquishment of their child. And 5.00mm GMTV (9726927)

9.25 Supermarket Sweep (Teleted) (s) (6104160) 9.55 Regional News (Teleted) (3491521) 10.00 The Time ... the Place (s) (68366) 10.30 This Morning (42910786) 12.20pm Regional News (Teletext) (7874960) 12.30 News (Teletext) (2988095)

12.55 Shortland Street (s) (2963786) 1.25 High Road (Teletex) (7001322) 2.00 Home and Away (Teletex) (s) (97579182) 2.25 Quisine (Teletex) (97565989) 2.50 Vanessa (Teletext) (s) (7695368)

3.20 News (Teletext) (7691366) 3.25 Regional News (Teletext) (7690637)

3.30 Potamus Park (6878569) 3.40 Wizadora (4006705) 3.50 Hot Rod Dogs (s) (6849057) 4.05 Garfield and Friends (2663144) 4.15 Hey Arnold! (7294415) 4.40 The Ward (Teletex!) (s) (8296298) 5.10 What's My Line? (2427732)

5.40 News and weather (Teletext) (992705) 6.00 Home and Away (r) (Teletext) (s) 6.25 HTV News (Teletext) (933415)

7.00 Emmerdale. Dave gets into trouble at the hospital (Teletext) (s) (8163) 7.30 West Watch. David Belterny and Nick Baker explain how the Forest of Dean has

evolved since medieval times (s) (415) HTV WALES; James' Journal 8,00 The Bill. Garfield and Datta have to pick up the pieces after a family is tom apert by the mother's suicide (Teletext) (7811)

8.30 My Good Friend. Brian dreams he has slept with Elil and is convinced he has been unfaithful, With George Cole (Teletext) (a) (3618)



Smuggiers Cate and Mark (9.00pm)

have children, Corporal Mark Hobbs and his wife Cate attempt to smuggle a baby out of Poland. Starring (an Curtis and Kate Ashfield (Teletext) (s) (5927)

10.00 News and weather (Teletext) (66811) 10,30 Regional News (Teletext) (732415) 10.40 The Visit: Daddy Ray. The story of Ray Barnett, who rescues children from the staughter and starvation of civil war in 11.40 European Soccer Special (873811)

12.35 Nationwide Football League Extre 1.20 FILM: The Liberators (1987) starring Robert Carradine, Larry B Scott and Cyrithia Dale Real-life drama about a plantation owner who befriends a runaway slave and becomes involved in

Railroad (762922) 3.05 Late & Loud (a) (4557941) 4.05 The Chart Show (r) (6) (6420564) 5.00 Special Report (r) (40019) 5.30 ITN Morning News (55800)

with Levi Coffin and the Underground

As HTV WEST except

5.10pm-5.40 Bagdad Cafe (2427732) 6.25-7.00 Wales Tonight (933415) 7,30-8.00 James' Journal (415) 11,40 European Soccer Special (873811)

WESTCOUNTRY

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2.25 Vanessa (97589569) 2.55-3.20 A Country Practice (1427637) 5.10-5.40 Home and Away (2427732) 6.00-7.00 Westcountry Live (78144)

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7.30-8.00 Heart of the Country (415) 10.40-11.40 Central Sports Special (740724) 12.40em Film: In the Aftermath (7317090) 2.00 Late & Loud (6926583) 2.55 UB40 - Live in the New South Africa

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11.40 Prisoner Cell Block H (873811)

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2.30 Conference Report: The Leader's Speech. Paddy Ashdown, MP, addresses the Liberal Democrats' annual

4.00 Fifteen to One (144) 4.30 Countdown (328) 5.00 Rickl Lake (2684279)

5.45 Travelog Treks: Budapest (266892) 6.00 The Avengers (76786) 7.00 Channel 4 News (Teletext) (4057) 8.00 Citizen's Arrest. Vicky Parker's life has

been ruined by an experimental cervical

cancer treatment (2/6) (5453) 8.30 Brookside. (Teletext) (s) (4960)



Lesiey, victim of the 1960s (9.00pm)

(Teleterd) (s) (3569) 10.00 FILM: Don't Tell Mom the Babysitter's Dead (1991) with Christina Applegate, Joanna Casaldy and Devid Duchovny Cornedy about a 17-year-old who becomes the family breadwinner when the Iron Lady babysitter, left to look after her and her four slolings while their mother is on holiday in Australia, dies in the night Directed by Stephen Herek

12.00-3.50am The Shooting Gallery: Lost for Words. A hitch-hiker repays the hospitality of a family who gave him shelter after a lift by taking care of their sick and aged dog (58941)

12.30 Trevor. A 13-year-old boy, who is devoted to Diana Ross and his best triend Pinky, coming to terms with his sexuality

12.55 A Sort of Homecoming (5382651) 1.20 Depth Solitude. Surrealistic tale of an underwater caretaker who latis in love (2132477) 1.30 Bent Out of Shape (22699)

2.00 Louder Than Words. A couple drawn together by the rhythms of the flamenco (5685922)

2.20 Page 73 (4423729) 3.05 The Observer. An Austrian writer seeks inspiration in Zanzibar (19913922) 3.35 Playground Rules (11334477) Ends at

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# Peace moves give Carling a route back

By David Hands, rugby correspondent, and Mark Souster

WILL CARLING was restored to the England rugby union training squad yesterday after a weekend that suggested some faint signs of sanity returning to the sport. English Professional Rugby Union Clubs (Epruc) has given the training session at Bisham Abbey tomorrow its blessing and, moreover, it has been represented at a meeting with the traditional governors of rugby to plot a united way

forward into Europe.
The return of Carling, and his long-term partner in the England midfield, Jeremy Guscott, had been widely prefrom the July training squad and the group that would have gathered at Bisham carlier this month but for the intervention of Epruc, which kept all the selected players away. It will, nonetheless, be a relief for the man who stepped down as England captain last March after a world-record 59 appearances in that role.

At the age of 30, he is not ready to give up international rugby just yet, and has set proving it with Harlequins this season. "I'm very pleased to be back in the squad," he said. "I have trained hard, both before the start of the season and this month, and I believe I have generally played well in the games so far. I am enjoying my rugby and I will be looking forward to attending the squad training as much as when I was still uncapped." If Carling's form, as a centre

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unexpectedly, as a goalkicker, has been good, Guscott's has been even better. He has recovered the zip that some believed had been permanently lost after his absence through injury from the 1993-94 season. He returns on merit, though other experienced players - Rory Under-wood, Dean Richards and Jonathan Callard among

them — remain on the outside. More significant than the return of Carling and Guscott, and the addition of the talented Northampton utility back. Nick Beal, to the squad, are the soothing noises emanating from the Epruc leadership coincidentally on the same day that the leading players in Scotland intimated a desire to reach contractual agreements with the Scottish Rugby Union (SRU), if, in its turn, the SRU could accommodate some of



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ENGLAND TRAINING SQUAD

proposed by Epruc.

The Scotland squad has given the SRU a ten-day deadline for a revised 1997-98 fixture list that would not overburden the leading players yet acknowledges the position of the clubs. primary reason we are holding out for ten days . . . is that we have no power as players," Rob Wainwright, the Scotland captain, said. This is the only way we can stand up and have our say on the shaping of the game." The home-based Scottish players are seeking a three-year contract with the SRU, excluding the 1999 World Cup, for which separate agreements would be

It may be that Epruc recog-nises some cracks in its own position and the possibility of alienating a public that has already been sorely tested this season by its stance over the availability of England players for international training. "We recognise the importance of international rugby but emphasise that it must be part of a properly-organised sea-son which the clubs and the players are working together to construct." an Epruc statement said.

"We are making every effort to enable some order to be put into the current season and We hope that this indication of our goodwill will encourage the Rugby Football Union to come up with a team which has the authority and the will to resolve our outstanding differences and join us in finding a real way forward for English

Epruc chairman, was involved in a meeting last Friday that aimed to establish a where European rugby is concerned, for England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales and France, So. too, was Seraphin Berthier, president of the newly-formed Commission Nationale de Rugby d'Elite, which is the French equivalent of Epruc, save that it has already reached an understanding with the French Rugby Federation that Epruc has

yet to achieve with the RFU. "For the first time in a long while we sat down together to try to get an organised season and dates for the various competitions." Tom Kiernan, chairman of European Rugby Cup Ltd. said. It is generally acknowledged that the present season is a mish-mash of competitions of which the Anglo-Welsh Cup — which the leading clubs in England and Wales had apparently embraced so enthusiastically - Is the worst example. It began in chaos and returns to it this week with Bridgend asking for their game at Leicester tomorrow to be postponed.

Hemi Taylor has withdrawn from the Wales team to play France tomorrow. His place in the back row will be taken by Kingsley Jones, Colin Charvis, of Swansea, comes on to the replacement bench. France have named a strong side for a match for which they have declined to award caps. Orrell have not yet given up Frano Botica, despite the New Zealander's appearance at Stradey Park before the Llanelli v Swansea game last Saturday. The Lancashire club said last night that no formal offer to buy out his contract has been received from Llanelli. They expect him to honour his two-year contract and plan to play him, if

Wenger content to stay in background

rugby."
indeed, Donald Kerr, the

Wenger, the new Arsenal manager, pays his first visit to the club's training headquarters yesterday

## Rice still in charge for Arsenal cup task

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

ARSÈNE WENGER, the new Arsenal manager, will not take charge of the side for the first time in the Uefa Cup first-round, second-leg tie against Borussia Mönchengladbach in Cologne

Wenger stressed yesterday that Pat Rice, the caretaker manager, will continue to make the tactical and selection decisions for a tie in which Arsenal trail 3-2 from

the first leg.
"Pat is officially in charge and will make all the decisions," Wenger said, "I'll only give my advice if he asks for

Rice was confirmed as Wenger's assistant yesterday and the manager said: "He knows the club, he knows English football, he knows the players very well and he is a pure Arsenal man. I will not become the manager until next Monday, but I had the feeling it was right for me to be here for this important opportunity.

Wenger officially takes over at Highbury next week but has been allowed to come to London earlier by Nagoya Grampus Eight, the club he managed in Japan, to meet his staff and players.

Rice, who stepped in as the second caretaker-manager of the season at Arsenal when Stewart Houston left to become the Queens Park Rangers manager, has steered the against Sheffield Wednesday and Middlesbrough. He had not met Wenger until

Tony Adams, the captain, is certain to play in the match after proving his return to fitness when coming on as a on Saturday. The England defender, who has admitted he is an alcoholic, has had two knee operations in ten

Patrick Vielra, the France Under-21 international, is poised to keep his place after making his debut as a substitute against Sheffield Wednesday and impressing again at Middlesbrough, Wenger confirmed that he recom-

# Stubbs poised for return as

Celtic try to spring surprise From Kevin McCarra in hamburg

CEUTIC'S arrival in Germany yesterday may have been met with a warmth that far exceeded the cordiality demanded by protocol. Poor domestic form in the Bundesliga has seen animosity and recrimination break out within Hamburg and the club has only the likelihood of victory over Celt-

ic to bind it together. With a 2-0 victory in Glasgow, progress to the second round of the Uefa Cup is taken for granted here The defeat of the Scottish

club would be balm to a team that lost 3-1 to Bochum at the weekend and has been beaten in three of its past four league matches. Hamburg's qualification for Europe represented a renaissance at a club that is now managed by Felix Magath, who has been an icon in this city ever since he scored the only goal of the 1983 European Cup final. His players, however, are less devoted to the man.

Jens Dowe, bought from Munich 1860 for £800,000 this summer, has not played since dressing-room argument with the manager at half-time in Glasgow. Magath has no intention of being conciliatory, and delivered a tirade about the team's lack of effort after

Seeing off Celtic is now supposed to be the first step in the restoration of morale. That appraisal of the match may neeve the visitors, but they have few grounds for protest. At home, Celtic conceded the opening goal in less that three minutes and the players have yet to prove that they possess the concentration or organisation to cope with European

their most recent loss.

Tommy Burns, the manager, is still convinced of his side's incisiveness, but he also knows that chaotic creativity will not be enough. "We've had skilful midfield players." Burns said, "and we've only

eight years, it's not about pretty players. We've got to have men who can hass when it's on, but also stop the other

team as well." To that end, Alan Stubbs, who has been ruled out for the past two weeks by a bruised ankle, is liable to be fielded, and the centre half may be asked to cover in front of the defence. The multiple misfortunes suffered by the Englishman, including three injuries and a sending off since August, are encapsulated in his reference to a "voodoo

Stubbs, who cost £3.5 million from Bolton Wanderers. said: "I have had two days of hard training and I am litter than I would have been if I had been playing in the team.
I only hope that I can settle down and get a string of games under my belt." The dependability Celtic hope he will now provide has not been forthcoming from

#### Hamburg's record signing. won one trophy in the past fit, against Treorchy tonight. Ligier offers twin-track future for Hill

FLAVIO BRIATORE, the managing director of the Benetton team, has long been touted as a possible player in the future of Damon Hill. The perception resurfaced yesterday in the wake of the English-PRICES INCLUDE DELIVERY TO EU CUSTOMERS (REST OF THE WORLD ADD EI PER ITEMI OF THE ITEMS LISTED SEND SAE FOR FURTHER DETAILS, STERLING/US DOLLAR CHEQUES ONLY.

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Briatore was interested in signing Hill for Benetton when it was revealed four weeks ago that he was to be released by Williams at the end of the season. The arrangement would have been welcomed by Renault, the engine supplier to both teams, which is an admirer of Hill and was keen to keep the No I, held by the world champion, on one of its cars for its last season in the sport next year.

That move appears to have foundered, however, because both the Benetton drivers, Jean Alesi and Gerhard Berger. are in the middle of two-year contracts and were unwilling to leave.

Instead, it now appears that Briatore has re-entered the bidding for Hill in his capacity as the owner of the French-based Ligier team. It is thought that Hill, who is keen to be awarded a two-year deal, might be promised one year at Ligier followed by a chance to aim for the world title again with Benetton the year after.

Briatore, though, will have to fight hard to prise Hill away from his most ardent suitors, Jordan-Peugeot and Stewart-Ford, both of whom are pushing hard for

Jordan, backed by Benson and Hedges, and Stewart, bankrolled by Ford, are thought to be offering in the region of £4 million to try to tempt Hill. A decision is likely before the Japanese Grand Prix at Suzuka on October 13.

Murray Walker's role as the voice of

Formula One has been safeguarded for the next two years. The veteran broadcaster has signed up with ITV to commentate on grands prix until 1998, as widely



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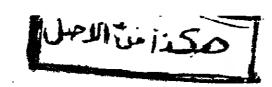
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# Bestseller by Finnish politician reveals fun of sex on a waterbed

NEARLY a century after women in Finland broke new ground by being the first in Europe to vote, the female Speaker of parliament has shattered a new barrier with a in charge highly explicit book about her

Finns are queueing by the hundred to buy Fluttering Flame by Riitta Uosukainen, 54, a former Education Minister who as Speaker ranks second only to President Ahtisaari in the Finnish hier-

cup task

archy. Fellow politicians have slammed the book - which is abusive about some of them saying it undermines the prestige of her position and the political system. But ordinary people are enthusiastic about her frankness.

Published last week, the book on its first run of 17,000 sold out in three days and its publishers said yesterday they have had to order extra paper to cope with the demand. On Sunday churchgoers flocked by the thousand to see Mrs Uosukainen.

Ostensibly an epistolary novel of imaginary letters written to and about political colleagues and friends, the book contains one stunningly "letter" to Mrs Uosukainen's husband of 35 years. Lieutenant-Colonel Toivo Uosukainen, about a FROM REUTER IN HELSINKI

weekend, "Thanks for the wonderful weekend, for all the good loving and love-making. We had a fabulous time together," writes Mrs Uosukainen, believed by many to be preparing to run for President after Mr Ahtisaari's term ends in 2000. The waterhed is tremendous; it doesn't creak - and, oh, that

slosh of making love," she

continues. Mrs Uosukainen, a majestic, strong-jawed former teacher who sees her husband only at weekends, enjoys wide popularity. As Speaker, she has demonstrated strong skills in bringing members of the House to order

Such explicitness may fit into the cliche of sexual frankness and women's liberation associated with countries such as Sweden. In relatively conservative Finland, it is explosive. One columnist in Ilta-Sanomat said that any male Speaker who had penned such a book would have been labelled a chauvinist,

Mrs Uosukainen described the book as "a mixture of fact and fiction, politics and poetry and prayer, birth and death". She said she wrote the erotic chapter — which deals only with marital sex — because sex is important to her. "It would have been deceptive if I had skipped the erotica. People often ask me how I can keep going. I wanted to show that eroticism is a source of energy for me, so others too would see it is part of a normal life," she told Iltalchti. "There shouldn't be anything strange about the fact that a middle-aged

woman enjoys herself."

She defended the work by arguing that the region of Finland she comes from, Karelia, is known to produce the most sensual Finns. In the letter, she writes of Karelian women who ask their homecoming husbands: "'Do you want to eat, drink, take a sauna or sex? We are in that situation weekly, and have altered the programme as we see best. Best of all is when we've begun making love

decided on what the consequences could be for her political career and her chances as President. But they agree the book has injected an entirely new element into Finland's secretive, sometimes sleepy, political culture, Mrs Uosukainen's husband

Commentators are still un-

has made little public comment, beyond confirming her remarks. "The waterbed is good," he told *litalehti*.
"Absolutely. It's good for my



Riltta Uosukainen at the launch of her highly explicit book, sold out in three days. "It would have been deceptive if I had skipped the erotica," she said

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# WORLD SUMMARY

## EU fear of 'mad cow' summit

Brussels: European ministers yesterday brushed off British hopes of the EU beef ban being lifted without a full-scale slaughter programme, as lears grew on the Continent that John Major could hijack next week's Dublin summit, turning it into another "mad disease showdown (Charles Bremner writes).

Douglas Hogg, the Agriculround of dismay from EU colleagues in Killarney, Co Kerry, over what they see as the Government's breach of its undertaking to start slaugh-tering 147,000 cattle. Mr Hogg insisted the decision to suspend the culi because of new scientific data on BSE did not affect Britain's commitment to June's Florence deal.

#### Secret US arms depots found

Vienna: Austria has ended a search for 79 underground arms depots dug secretly by the United States during the Cold War to help to fend off a Soviet invasion. Caspar Einem, the Interior Minister. said. Sixty-five depots containing thousands of tonnes of explosives and hundreds of pieces of artillery were found, but another six have not been located. Eight were found by chance in the 1950s. (Reuter)

#### Dental worker in army had HIV

Frankfurt: The US Army is notifying about 1,100 soldiers and their families that an army dental hygienist at a German post has tested positive for HIV, the Aids-related virus. The hygienist provided routine care at the Hanau medical clinic near Frankfurt until June. (Reuter)

#### Love in the air

Copenhagen: A Dane under a court order not to contact his former girlfriend in any way was fined more than £100 for having Leonard Cohen's Ain't No Cure for Love dedicated to her on national radio. (AP)

# French civil service unions call strike over budget cutbacks

FRANCE'S public-sector unions yesterday called for a 24-hour strike by state workers on October 17, as the Government geared up for the first large confrontation of the autumn over plans to cut the deficit in time for economic and monetary union (EMU).

The seven largest public sector unions, including the Force Ouvrière (FO) and the Communist-led CGT which spearheaded last year's crip-pling strikes, called on France's four million state workers to hold a "national protests" to demand wage rises and protest at civil service job losses.

measures are intended to cut the public deficit to 3 per cent of the gross domestic product next year in line with the requirements for a single European currency.

Union leaders predicted the including local government



France faces its first big clash this autumn over government plans to meet single-currency targets, Ben Macintyre reports

hospitals. Education unions. which will bear the brunt of the planned 5,600 job cuts, have already called for a strike next Monday. The civil service strike will come exactly one year and one week after more

The Government's austerity unrest in the coming months,

strikes would cause disruption throughout the public sector,

The civil service unions called for the day of strikes Union leaders have given a warning of growing industrial

but most observers believe public anger over budget aus-In what he described as a terity has not yet reached that of last year's level, when transport ground to a halt plunging much of the country "We are going to do all we can to make sure it succeeds,"

rector of the CFDT union, France's largest, said vester-

and mass protests next month to defend public services, suspend job cuts and expand Juppe, the Prime Minister, has frozen civil service pay this year and union leaders called for immediate negotiations on

"warning to the Government", Marc Blondel, head of the FO, presided over a weekend demonstration in Paris. M Blondel said the demonstrators numbered 35,000, although police said half that number of people assembled.

Government has repeatedly affirmed its commitment to a single currency, and yesterday Jean Arthuis, the Finance Minister, called for the formation of a "stability council" made up of finance ministers within the single currency to ensure "strict respect by everyone of the stability pact" enforcing budgetary disci-pline. M Arthuis said such a council would provide the "necessary political counter-weight" to the future Euro-

pean Central Bank. Yesterday M Arth only insisted that France would achieve the Maastricht criteria for economic and monetary union but said he was confident Britain would also join the single currency.

The bloated social security debt, however, remains a serious hurdle. Last November the Government predicted a welfare debt of Fr17 billion (£2.2 billion) for this year, and an excess in 1997. Instead, this year's debt is likely to be triple

Fr47.2 billion, according to figures released by the Social Security Commission yester day. Jacques Barrot, the Social Affairs Minister, said yesterday that additional measures. notably increased levies on alcohol and tobacco, would bring down next year's welfare deficit to below Fr30

☐ Madrid: Spanish unions yesterday took the first step towards a possible general strike when they agreed on two days of deme September 30 and October 15 against a public-sector wage freeze confirmed by the Government last week.

In Germany, the 1G Metall union has called industrial action on October 10 to protest against a cut in sick pay compensation passed by the Government as part of its "Programme for More Jobs and Growth". (Reuter)

Anatole Kaletsky, page 20

## Woman favourite to lead Right in Athens

FROM JOHN CARR IN ATHENS

GREECE'S opposition conser-vative party, New Democracy, moved quickly yesterday to find the sixth leader in its 22year history after losing its second election in succession to the Socialists on Sunday.

Dora Bakoyanni, 42, de-clared her candidacy for the party leadership less than 24 hours after Miltiades Evert surprised the nation by resigning even before the official election results were in. The daughter of Constantine Mitsotakis, the conservative former Prime Minister, and the widow of a right-wing parliamentary deputy shot dead by terrorists in 1989, Mrs Bakoyanni is believed to be a front-runner.

Official results of the election showed the incumbent Panhellenic Socialist Movement (Pasok) re-elected with 41.5 per cent of the vote and New Democracy with 38.1 per cent. The small Greek Communist Party (KKE) came

third, with 5.6 per cent. The KKE was helped by left-wing discontent with the moderate socialism of Costas Simitis, the Prime Minister, putting in the shade the Democratic Socialist Movement of Dimitris Tsovolas, which came fifth, with 4.4 per cent.

Philippe Antoine, deputy di-

However, the presence of three smaller left-wing parties in the 300-seat parliament, with a total of 30 seats, could bring pressure from the Left on key economic policies.

With 99.4 per cent of the vote counted yesterday, the percentage of votes won and party representation was:

Pasok, 41.51%, 162 seats. ☐ New Democracy, 38.15%,

☐ Communist Party of Greece (KKE), 5.6%, 11. Coalition of the Left and Progress, 5.1%, 10. ☐ Democratic Social Movement (Dikki), 4.43%, 9. ☐ Political Spring (nationalist), 2.94%, no seats.

## Simitis victory frees Greece from its spendthrift legacy

FROM RICHARD OWEN

BY RETURNING Costas Simitis, the Greek Socialist leader, to power for the next four years, the normally emotional Greeks have voted for caution and stability under a man who does not share the appetite for inflammatory anti-Nato and anti-EU rhetoric of his predecessor,

Andreas Papandreou They have also opted for painful economic belt-tightening in a bid to meet European targets, and a policy of quiet diplomacy with Turkey rather than confrontation.

Mr Simitis, 60, has begun to put the shadow of Papandreou behind him. although his gamble in calling an election a year early appeared at one point perilously close to failure. The standing in the opinion polls of his Panhellenic Socialist Movement, or Pasok, fell as Miltiades Evert, the robust but gaffe-prone leader of the

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right-wing New Democracy. whipped up anti-Turkish feeling, hammered Pasok's long record of economic mismanagement and offered farmers tempting tax breaks. But Mr Simitis, who

dropped his reserve on election night with a grin of sheer



Simitis: put shadow of Papandreou behind him

delight, can now claim openly that it was not Pasok but Papandreou who gave Greece a bloated, indebted and corrupt economy. Papandreou's son. George, the respected Education Minister in the last Simitis administration, said enough of "charismatic" leaders like his father. Pasok was

now "pro-market". Mr Simitis has promised to reduce red tape to help foreign investors, ensure that EU grants are not corruptly frittered away, and tackle the patronage system by cutting unnecessary jobs in the civil service and public sector.

Behind this lies his determinto line with the Maastricht single-currency targets on inflation, unemployment and the £1.95 billion public deficit. Mr Simitis told voters their "sacrifices" would "bring Greece fully into Europe".

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# Perot goes to law in attempt to join TV party debates

ROSS PEROT sued yesterday to stop next month's presidential debates unless he is allowed to participate.

At the same time, Dole's aides hinted for the first time that the 73-year-old Republican might abandon Cali-fornia and other important states in order to focus his limited resources on those his strategists still deem winnable. The great danger of such a move is that the entire Republican ticket may suffer in the the chances of the Democrats

recapturing Congress.
Mr Perot, the Texas billionaire, started a legal action in Washington challenging last week's unanimous decision by a committee of Democrats and Republicans to bar him from the debates on the ground that he had no realistic chance of winning the presidency.

Over the weekend, negotial tors for the Dole and Clinton camps agreed that the two men should met for 90-minute debates in Hartford, Connecticut, on October 6 and in San Diego, California, on October 16. Their running-mates will meet in St Petersburg. Florida, on October 9.

The White House wanted Mr Perot to be included, believing that he would steal votes and attention from Mr Dole, but the Republicans were adamant. They see the debates as their candidate's last chance to catch Mr Clinton and wanted him to have a return, the Clinton camp in-



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sisted on 90-minute, not 60minute, debates believing that Mr Dole may tire, and on two debates, not four, to reduce the dangers of an upset. It also insisted that the second debate should have a "town-hall" format of the sort in which Mr Clinton excels.

Mr Perot called Mr Dole a coward and predicted that the Republican candidate's stand would cost him the support of millions of independent voters. "Here's a guy that's supposed to be a war hero. You'd think he'd be willing to stand up and talk to another person, wouldn't you?"

His legal action argued that the two established parties "should not be permitted to consolidate their monopoly on the political process by closing off the presidential debates . . . Declaring the election essentially over for all candidates but two before a single debate takes place will only deepen the nation's cynicism about

Previous third-party candi-

has succeeded, but Mr Perot may have a stronger case. He won 19 per cent of the national vote in 1992, has received \$29 million (£18.6 million) in federal funds, and has got his new Reform Party on the ballot forms in all 50 states. He also soared in the polls after lively performances in the three debates in 1992. Mr Dole's strategists, in the meantime, are producing a revised electoral blueprint in the light of his desperate position six weeks before the election. He is likely to focus on 29 states and would have to carry every one. According to The Washington Post, they include 16 solidly Republican vide 135 of the 270 electoral college votes required for victory. They also include seven "must-win" states - Florida Georgia, Tennessee, Kentucky, Colorado, Nevada and Arizona - that usually vote

John Kennedy Jr and Carolyn Bessette leaving the church on Cumberland Island where they were married at a small private ceremony on Saturday

# Kennedy clan savours coup of secret island wedding

FROM QUENTIN LETTS IN NEW YORK

RELATIVES of John Kennedy Jr were yesterday celebrat-ing the security coup of the decade - keeping secret from the media the wedding of America's sexiest man" on a remote Atlantic sand dune. As Mr Kennedy, 35, the son

of the late President and mooned with his bride, Carolyn (née Bessette), 30, news organisations kicked themselves for having missed the wedding of the century" in Georgia. So covert was the operation that the news was confirmed only when Patrick Kennedy, a congressman, said on Sunday night. "My cousin John did tie the knot

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Cumberland Island's quaint Brack Chapel. The reception was similarly low-key, with a few glasses of wine and a n dip. Guests who quietly flew to the island, reachable only by small aircraft or launch, included Senator Edward Kennedy. He was one of the few members of the family's "elite cadre" to have

been party to the secret. who were not invited were left holding slightly bloodied noses. The implication was clear: they were not to be trusted with the secret. Only a handful of caterers were on hand, all having signed confi-

dentiality agreements. Letitia Baldridge, a former social secretary to the late Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, rejoiced that Mr Kennedy succeeded in his plan. "John's vacy," she said. "I'm so glad he did it. It shows up all those movie stars who say they want privacy but then arrange

Commentators dwelt on Mr Kennedy's "class" in having resisted self-publicity.

The former Miss Bessette. who has toved with a career in opblic relations, comes from a cratic Connecticut family and apparently passed muster with Mrs Kennedy Onassis. The late First Lady was reported to have considered the girl to have sufficient class to take the name of Mrs John

Kennedy. Mr Kennedy walked up the aisle with a record of myriad, but always discreet, romances. His past flames included the actresses Daryl

### US carrier | Self-made tycoon unmasked Gulf after as master 'backs off'

AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF

AMERICA completed its military build-up in the Gulf yesterday, but if Iraq continues to comply with its de-mands, the Clinton Administration may soon withdraw one of its two aircraft carrier battle groups from the region.

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"All the evidence that I have seen in the last four or five days is positive." William Perry, the American Defence Secretary, said, "I truly believe Iraq is backing off the threatening actions they were taking a week ago, but we will watch it very carefully, every day,

every hour."

Mr Perry said he would decide next week whether to let the USS Carl Vinson return home in October, leaving the USS Enterprise as the only carrier in the Gulf.

The last of about 3,500 President Clinton ordered to Kuwait at the height of the latest Iraqi crisis arrived in the emirate yesterday. American officers said yesterday that a desert storm had delayed the full deployment of ground forces close to the border.

PresidentSaddam Hussein has a habit of challenging America's resolve in the runup to elections, and a Pentagon offical said the reinforcements were likely to stay until after voting day on November 5 "to be on the safe

In eastern Turkey up to 20,000 Turkish troops backed by air power launched operations yesterday to hunt rebel Kurds and cut logistical support before winter, military officials said. They said about 250 Kurdistan Workers Party guerrillas were cornered in the remote mountains of Tunceli

Korea plea: Mr Perry yesterday dismissed North Korea's claim that a submarine was on a routine mission when it went aground off South Korea. But he urged both countries to ease what has become an international shooting incident.



Perry: US keeping watch "every day, every hour"

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FROM QUENTIN LETTS

THE late American oil tycoon and art collector Armand Hammer was, according to two new accounts, a possible Russian spy and a philander ing crook.

He not only had his mistress adopt a disguise to deceive his wife but, it appears, he also deceived and manipulated world leaders he knew, including American Presidents, Margaret Thatcher, the Prince of Wales, and many great ladies and gentlemen".

Hammer's reputation as an international philanthropist and billionaire entrepreneur will come in for severe scrutiny after disclosures in an article in today's issue of The Times by Neil Lyndon, a former Hammer staffer, and in a forthcoming book to be published in New York by Edward Eostein, an investig tive writer.

Hammer, who died in 1990 when 92, was chairman of Occidental Petroleum, operator of the Piper Alpha oil platform on which 167 North Sea oil workers died.

For much of his life he was hailed as a living embodiment of the American dream, a self-made man of influence who wielded power on both sides of the Iron Curtain and had extraordinary access to men of

While he was portraying himself as a highbrow friend Messrs Lyndon and Epstein allege. Hammer engaged in an elaborate ruse to prevent his late wife, Frances, discovering about an affair with his art assistant, Martha Kaufman, 50 years his junior. At his behest she changed her name to Hilary Gibson and adopted a new identity.

According to Mr Epstein, Buckingham Palace from Miss Kaufman's home, having first partly undressed. He liked her to be present while he spoke down the line to

British royalty. Mr Lyndon discloses that when he left Hammer's staff he feared for his life, adding: "She [Miss Kaufman] and I much to buy a mistress or a

ghost-writer. Mr Lyndon then says: "But the whoring principles by which Hammer debauched us also applied to his global dealings in business and poli-tics. The larger question that will lead to the greater truth about Armand Hammer is this: what does it take to buy a President or a King?"

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# Gun lobby group hit by cash crisis

By MARTIN FLETCHER

THE National Rifle Association is being forced to reduce its operations to stave off a financial crisis caused by a disastrous drive for new rightwing members.

The group has just laid off 30 employees, suspended production of its weekly cable television show and reorgof its new headquarters building in Washington's southwestern suburbs. The association's report for 1995 showed its liabilities exceeded its assets by \$43.5 million (£28 million).

"They're in a desperate financial condition," said Dave Edmondson, a former board member who has become a strong critic.

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costly recruitment drive in the early 1990s when, under new hardline leadership, it drove membership up to a record 3.4 million by posing as the leading opponent of a tyrannical Government bent on depriving Americans of their rights. The association helped to elect a Republican Congress City bombing in April .1995 changed everything.

George Bush, the former President, resigned in protest as did thousands of other moderate members, convinced that extremists now controlled what had traditionally been an organisation for hunters and sportsmen.

Membership has dropped to about 2.8 million and the association's clout has also

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If Mr Dole could lock those

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would involve abandoning

California with its 54 electora

college votes, as President Bush did in 1992, as well as

several big states such as New

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nia. It would also free Mr

Clinton to divert millions of

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ment in the Dole camp, with

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# Fashion's First Ladies breakfast in style

BY MARTIN FLETCHER

DIANA, the Princess of Wales, will have breakfast at the White House this morning with her American kindred spirit - Hillary Clinton, Both women are world famous, hounded by the media, do good works and have a finely-developed sense of fashion. which is what has bought the Princess to Washington.

The Princess, still adored in America despite her some-what tarnished image back home, will tonight be the honorary chairman of a glit-tering gala dinner and fashion sale at Washington's National Building Museum which will raise millions of dollars for breast cancer research.

Over the past week New York's top designers have shipped down \$1 million worth of clothes which they have donated to Super Sale

1996". More than 1,100 of America's great and good, including Elizabeth Dole and Colin Powell, have paid up to \$500 (£320) each for tickets and will have first chance to buy the clothes.

The event has been organised by Anna Wintour, the British-born editor of America's Vogue magazine. the designer Ralph Lauren, the Council of Fashion Designers of America and The Washington Post whose former publisher. Katharine Graham, personally invited

Mrs Clinton is hosting the breakfast in the East Room to thank those most involved in the event, and the Princess's fellow guests will include her friend, Lucia Flecha de Lima, the Brazilian Ambassador's

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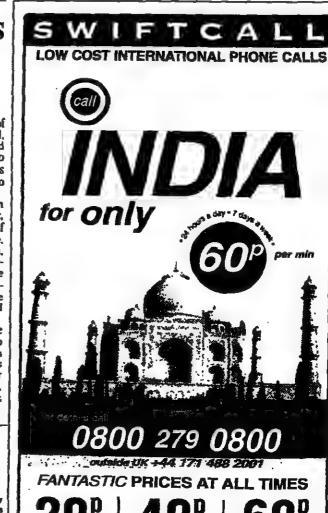
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# Bhutto brother's killing reopens a nation's wounds

By Christopher Thomas south asia correspondent

Self-mad

as mask

PAKISTAN is exhausted by Benazir Bhutto, No elected leader has been more unpopular since the state was founded

Nor has any political spouse had a reputation as low as that of Asif Zardari, her ever-smiling husband, who figures often in newspaper allegations of high-level corruption.

The death of her brother, Murtaza Bhutto, 42, has eliminated the logical political heir of the Bhutto dynasty, a rich, powerful family as beset by ragedy as the Kennedys and the Nehru-Gandhis,

Photographs of Murtaza Bhutto's bloodstained hody have disgusted a nation in despair with endless political, criminal and religious killings.

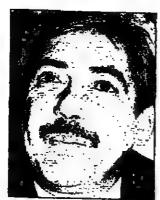
The tears shed by Miss Bhutto at her brother's graveside were in contrast to the vitriol that flowed between them when he was alive. Her mother, Nusrat, called him the rightful heir as the only. male of the family. She abused her daughter publicly.

Murtaza weighed in, calling his sister incompetent and unfit for office, a "viper in the bosom". It was degrading not just for the Bhuttos: it humili-

ated the country.
Was it murder? Or did Murtaza die by chance during a spontaneous gunbattle between the police and his bodyguards in Karachi on Friday? Either way the implications for Miss Bhutto are

It is almost inconceivable that the Prime Minister's brother could be killed by accident. She has professed her innocence in the affair. Miss Bhutto has effectively admitted that she has no control over the chaos of her sinister and murderous

Opposition leaders insisted that Murtaza was assassinated. That is what the nation seems inclined to believe, even



from a public meeting.

Murtaza Bhutto

posed a credible political threat to his sister, although

his support was increasing.

He was largely forgotten dur-

ing 16 years he spent in self-imposed exile abroad, mostly

charges because of activities

against the Zia dictatorship,

the dictatorship that in 1979 hanged Zulfigar Ali Bhutto, his father and founder of the

He returned to Pakistan in

1993 and then spent time in

jail, but the powerful military machine no longer felt in-

He became an MP for the

Larkana constituency, where

he formed an alliance with his

mother against his sister.

Miss Bhutto saw him in

hospital before he died, when

he was awake and talking. He

had laid bleeding in the street

for an hour, she said, crying.

As doctors prepared to oper-

clined to pursue him.

dynasty.

Syria, to escape terrorist

Murtaza Bhutto: he was estranged from his sister

without the slightest evidence. Miss Bhutto called it a conspiracy to destabilise her Government, a Government whose survival is in doubt for the same reasons that it was dismissed in an army intervention once before - incompetence and corruption.

Pakistan doubtless will never know the truth of Murtaza Bhutto's death. The poisoning of his brother. Shahnawaz, in a Paris hotel in 1985 remains a mystery. His Afghan wife was accused of failing to call for help as he died. The plane crash that killed General Zia ul-Haq, the dictator, in August 1988 also remains without

explanation. The police fired bullets and teargas yesterday to clear Murtaza Bhutto's supporters from round the ancestral Bhuno home in Larkana in Sindh province.

Murtaza's party, a break-away faction of Miss Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party, said that the police had shot its leader and his followers in an ambush and had caused delays in the transfer of the dead and wounded to hospital.

"The assassination of Murtaza Bhutto and his companions was no accident but a brutal and deliberate act of terrorism," it said.

There had been no provocation by Murtaza and his followers; the police had opened fire as Murtaza and

Nusrat Bhutto, left, the mother of the dead man, prays at his grave with her daughter, Benazir, Prime Minister of Pakistan, whom she has publicly criticised

# Tit-for-tat attack leaves 21 dead in Punjab mosque

By Zahid Hussain in Karachi and our foreign staff

Muslims stepped up tit-for-tat killings in Pakistan yesterday. leaving 22 people dead and about 40 injured in the province of Punjab.

Reports said that 41 people died after five masked gun-men burst into the Majid al-Khair musque in Multan, spraying bullets as hundreds of Sunni worshippers began early-morning prayers. Police said the attack was by Shia Muslims in retaliation for the murder of a Shia leader in Bahawalpur, of miles south of Multan, on Sunday.

Hours later vesterday, in another apparent reprisal, two gunmen on a motorcyle shot Mumtaz-ul-Hassan, a leading Shia militant, while he was on his way to evening prayers in Bahawalpur. Hospital officials in Multan

said many of the dead were boys aged ten to 16 from a nearby religious school.

The mosque attack led to widespread violence in the city with angry protesters attacking government buildings and houses. Streets were descried

HARDLINE Sunni and Shia and shops closed as hundreds of police and paramilitary soldiers patrolled in armoured personnel carriers and Jeeps mounted with machineguns. By mid-afternoon the army had been deployed in the

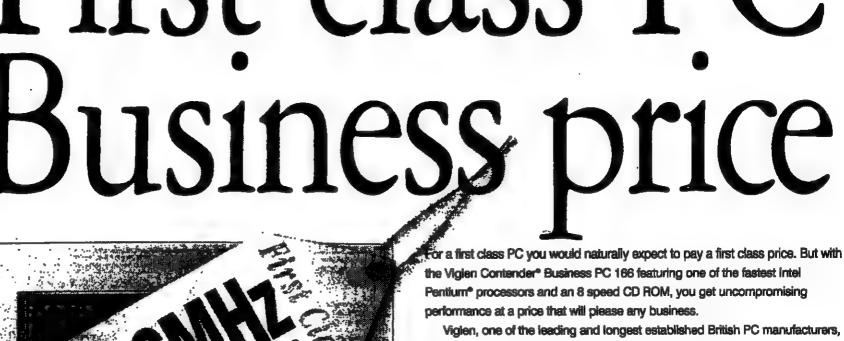
Mumtazabad neighbourhood, where the shooting happened. Gunfire could be heard, and reaming bands of boys were seen burning tyres. Shia Muslims, learing retaliation, were gathering in a nearby mosque, witnesses said. Another Shia mosque was burnt, but no one was hurt and there was only slight damage.

From loudspeakers atop both Shia and Sunni mosques there were calls for people to get weapons and prepare for a battle, witnesses said.

Pakistan's Sunni and Shia militants have waged a vendetta for several years and more than 200 people have been killed in Punjab province in the past six months.

Shias make up about 15 per cent of the country's 140 million people, most of whom are

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## Japan foils landings on disputed troops clash islands

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JAPANESE coastguard vessels yesterday drove five ships carrying Taiwan and Hong Kong activists away from a cluster of disputed reefs in the

East China Sea. Seventeen Japanese vessels backed by a helicopter thwarted eight landing attempts on the Diaoyu Islands — Senkaku Islands to the Japa-

nese. Taiwan radio described the atmosphere as very tense. It said that 20 demonstrators, accompanied by 60 reporters, shouted: "Get out of Chinese territory." The Japanese played down

the incident. "It is our routine duty to issue warnings and ask foreign ships to move out of Japan's waters," the Maritime Safety Agency said. Chris Patten, Governor of Hong Kong, yesterday said he hoped the dispute could be

settled amicably.
A lighthouse built in July by Japanese nationalists and the Japanese coastguard's expulsion of a Taiwan fishing boat have reignited a dispute over the islands, claimed by Peking, Taipei and Tokyo. The activists wanted to remove the

# Sri Lankan with Tamils

Colombo: Sri Lankan troops killed or wounded more than 200 Tamil Tiger rebels in their first major push against the guerrillas in more than a month, the Defence Ministry

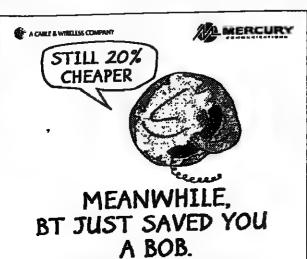
said yesterday.
Military officials said the rebels put up stiff resistance against troops who on Sunday advanced on the rebels' northern Kilinochchi stronghold. backed by tanks, artillery and air support. At least 50 sol-diers had been killed in the two-day assault by noon yesterday, according to the army. The Tamil Tigers accused the Government of attacking civilians. (Reuter)

#### 'Violent' China

Peking: The violence endemic to Western television is becoming increasingly prevalent in China, as producers and directors try to boost viewing figures, according to a China Daily report. (AFP)

#### Rat traps

Dhaka: Armed with cats, traps and poison, farmers in Bangladesh began their annual drive to kill the rats that destroy nearly a third of the country's grains. Every rat fetches about 8p. (AP)



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# 'Major wants to undo what we accomplished'

forced resignation, Margaret Thatcher went to lunch at the Centre for Policy Studies (CPS). George Urban sensed from the beginning that it was going to be no ordinary lunch, but a wake to allow her to relax.

December 19, 1990 Warming her hands in front of our little gas fire, launched into her doubts about John

Major's adminis-"The new Government - well, I think they have embarked on a course of great danger. It is quite clear aiready that they want to undo many of the things have accomplished, and there is no telling where that might take them. All the wrong people are rejoicing! That's a sure indication that they are walking the wrong road," and more to the same effect.

Meeting at Chesham Place with MT -

now Baroness Thatcher. I came away with the impression that she has not been able psychologically to digest the fact that she is no longer Prime Minister. Her whole attitude to the day's business — the rush into which she appeared to have driven herself throughout the morning, her remarks about various things she had to attend to immediately, with the underlying thought that unless these things were performed quickly and efficiently fall the world and certainly said. "They might turn against and the legal profession

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Britain — all point to the sad fact that 24 years after her resignation she still cannot reconcile herself to the loss of that terrible elixir — power.

I was distressed. Was this

great lady entertaining false ideas about her place in the universe? Was she lapsing into a phantom world, waiting for the bugie to sound, summon-

ing her back to the field of

action? This sounds unkind.

but who knows? But I rather

doubt whether the call to

rescue England from the em-

brace of John Major will ever

come, and if such a call did

come, I'm fairly certain she

Talking about the Russian

Army set MT off about our

own. She was, she said, ap-

palled by Major's decision to

cut back our three Services.

There is no telling what the

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would lose the next election.

in Eastern Europe; there might be a showdown between rival factions, parliament and the President - who knows? This is no time to cut our forces." I agreed.

We then turned to domestic matters, notably the state of

Party. "Do you know, George

what's the real problem with

the Conservative Party? The

name of it, 'Conservative' is no

describe what we are. It's

directly misleading. We are

not a 'conservative' party; we

are a party of innovation, of

imagination, of liberty, of

striking out in new directions,

of renewed national pride and

novel sense of leadership.

That's not 'conservative', is it?

We've taken on not only the

right. It doesn't

being properly served by them. That's not conservative! The name is all wrong." I thoroughly agreed with that, remembering, however, that only a few years ago had proudly embraced. Clearly, she has changed her semantics, and I should

imagine the change came in the light of some of her experiences abroad. In French, German or Italian ears "conservative" has a ring of

> lism and stagnation. She then voiced her great concern that Britain under Major was losing its way in the world and would no longer count. She put down some of that loss of direction to Britain's involvement with the European Community and Major's "ambiguous" policies. I knew and had feared that the sore topic of Europe would come up. However amicably we would be talking about Bosnia, swords would be

Thatcher supported John Major in public but privately had strong doubts For 90 minutes we managed not to mention Europe, but, as I was halfway through the door, MT grabbed me: "Well, you realise, George, don't you, that it is the European involvement that is dragging Britain down ... It is our participation in that unholy mess. Let no one

crossed on Europe.

forget that."

Noel Malcolm's outstanding of Bosnia was offices of the Alliance to De-



A tearful Margaret Thatcher leaves 10 Downing Street with Denis Thatcher for the last time after her resignation

Thatcher were there, and so among the notables was Michael Foot, an old Yugoslav hand, and other Balkan "experts". Once again, Lady Thatcher was the centre of attention: She was debating with Daniel Johnson of The Times and Drago Stambuk, the Croatian charge. MT treated me with considerable familiarity, touching me on the arm and thrusting her finger at my chest to give weight to some point or other. Among the young blood around her, I was an old friend in every sense of

ut what caused the real controversy between us was an airy remark I threw out, half in jest, half in earnest, about the Russian people's traditional indiscipline and inclination to anarchy. What the "dark masses" need, I said, is the periodic application of the whip, as so many Russians have been telling us. The present chaos, too, is waiting to be sorted out by a strong man of one kind or another

To my surprise, MT took my mention of the whip literally and reacted with anger. "How can you say such a thing. George?! No people should be ruled by the whip. no people at all. I've been to Russia and found the people kind, sensitive and most hospitable. How can you talk about the whip?!" MT was deadly serious. Perhaps 1 should not have played on her

sense of humour.
"Well," I said, "this is not my nersonal view but one that stares us in the face from the pages of Russian literature. Even today, many Russians will volunteer the opinion that only a tsar-like figure can keep them in order. Stalin was aware of that and kept an orderly house: but look at what happened under the liberal Gorbachev. In 1985," [ went on, "I predicted in The Wall Street Journal that Gorbachev might end up installing democracy using the methods of Stalin . . . "

Again, my irony misfired. But not the whip. George," MT repeated, "No people need the whip. There is reason. there is persuasion. A strong government, yes, respect for whip. I am surprised!"

I now decided to respond to Lady Thatcher's seriousness with seriousness.

"With respect," I said, "the Russian people's periodic ungovernability is proverbial and well documented in history. You yourself experienced ungovernability, although of the British kind, at the time of the miners' strike, and even that did not pass off without violence . . . This released another tor-

rent of words I did not care to interrupt. There was a strange glitter in MT's eyes. She was tense, almost manic: her mind seemed centred on the next

time ago," [ said, "I sent you a volume of Custine as backreading to Wouldn't you agree that what I have been saying is in line with Custine's travelogue?

"Yes, I've read it," she answered, "but Custine wrote must speak the truth again and again because people have short memories, they reflect? You and I are at the end of our lives; we have a duty to show the way to the young; we must pass on what thought and

Yes," I said, "on that point I very much agree with you." [ went on to quote something from Goethe to reinforce her



Thatcher with the Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev

about Russian conditions 150 years ago. You can't take that for your guide. Conditions change; people change."

would care to apply that principle to the German people and German character, nembering the views she had expressed at our 1990 Chequers seminar: but I kept my thoughts to myself. The lecturing went on.

Why on earth are you so stic, George?" she re-

point: everything worth saying has already been said; our job is to say it again and say it better. I'm not sure whether she took it in. Her mind was on herself. Suddenly she

switched back to communism. "Is the Cold War returning?" I said it would be far too early to say that it was, but there were signs of a revival of Russian national imperialism. We should remain on our guard. She then turned to nations and states. No one, she

and states relate to one another. What did I think? This was, of course, far too large a question to be threshed out at a party with drinks in hand. I tried to say that both Eli Kedourie and Hugh Seton-Watson had written important books on that very topic and both had advised her on various occasions. But I don't think she was listening; she was listening to herself. We And the state of t

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were back on Bosnia. Self-determination is principle wholly malign for the peace of the world," she said. "States just cannot be made to coincide with

nations. I said: whatever we may feel about the rights and wrongs of national self-determination, it is there, in Principle VIII of the Helsinki Final Act, and has contributed to the disintegration of the Soviet empire. To that extent it has been a great practical value. But MT waved this aside.

"It is Woodrow Wilson, of course, who is ultimately responsible for the damaging myth of the single-nation state. Such states cannot work. Wilson got it all wrong. He is the one to put in the dock of history.

Our conversation was going nowhere. People had begun to leave. I removed myself gently from her circle.

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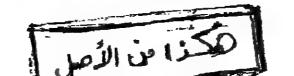
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# Will the whole truth about this evil man ever be told?

Neil Lyndon tried but failed to expose the depravity of the oil tycoon Armand Hammer. Now he asks if a new biography will meet the challenge

**NEIL** 

eaders of Edward Jay Epstein's New Yorker portrait of Armand Hammer's last days must have been shocked and disgusted; but in that ghastly picture of cruelty and deception, of the bizarre sexual shenanigans of a nonagenarian and of megalomania run mad into senility, of fraud and greed involving the misappropriation of hundreds of millions of dollars, there was little to surprise any of us who worked closely with

Hammer in the Eighties, as I did. least 100 people in the Los Angeles, Washington, London and Moscow offices of Occidental Petroleum, of which

Наттег chairman, had known for years that he maintained

LYNDON a nuistress named Martha Wade Kaufman, that she had changed her name to Hilary Gibson to get on Hampayroll and had changed her appearance to deceive Hammer's wife Frances (in Occidental's office on Wilshire Boulevard, Martha/Hilary was better known as "The Wig"). We all supposed that he was having an affair with his "personal physician" Rosamaria physician" Rosamaria Durazo, though it was news to me that he offered to marry her. We all knew that he was constantly badgering younger women into sexual compro-

mise and paying them off with jobs and corporate boodle. We knew that he had illegitimate children. We knew that he had cheated his wife out of her fortune of hundreds of millions of dollars. Above all, we understood that he believed because his entire life had proved it — that he could do anything and get away with it. We reckoned him to be capable of evil, even murder. Many of us believed that

Hammer was madly misappropriating the funds of Occidental for his own personal aggrandisement and that he had gone far beyond the control of a flaccid and cowed board of anised shareholders and a feeble SEC (Securities & Exchange Commission). In early June 1989, while I was

still under a personal contract of employment as Hammer's ghost, amanuensis and househack, I became seriously worespecially his demented determination to complete a mausoleum of a museum in his own honour. This hall of marble was being erected to house the \$300 million (£200 million) art collection Hammer called his own, which he had actually acquired using Occidental money; and the construction cost, again borne by Occidental, threatened to exceed \$140 million. Though I

Armand Hammer in Los Angeles office 1987: using the huge wealth of Occidental, he corrupted anyone he believed useful to him. His employees believed him capable even of murder

genuinely feared that he might have me killed if he found out, I decided to blow Hammer's

In Los Angeles, on the morning of Saturday, June 3, 1989, I spent two hours with Harold Evans, my old Editor at The Sunday Times, in his suite at the Bel Air Hotel. I gave him the whole story of Hammer's misdeeds for him to relay to his wife Tina Browne, then Editor of Vanity Fair. Harry took notes but seemed not to absorb or, perhaps, fully to believe the story. "Are you saying he's a really bad man?" he asked. "Well, yes, Harry: that's the least of it," I answered. "Has

he killed people?" "We think he might have done." I don't understand why Tina did not take up the story at that time. while Hammer was still alive and criminally active: but now that she is Editor of New Yorker. Tina has at least published part of the story in Ed Epstein's arcticle, which, in

turn, derives from a book Epstein has written about Hammer. Harold Evans, now president of Random House, is publishing that book.

fact — he Better late than could buy never; and better, too, that some of the truth should anyone he have been published rather than none. It is possible that Ed Epstein

ing and titanic Mephistophelean truth of Armand Hammer's whole life and has delivered it in his book, which has yet to appear here; but I should be surprised. Epstein called me several times while he was preparing the book and I offered to help him. He did not seem to want to know what I might be able to tell him; and he seemed preoccu-pied with sides of Hammer's life that I believed to be

Having explored Kremlin files, he said, Epstein had finally proved beyond doubt what everybody had long suspected and others had previ-ously intimated — that Hammer was an active agent of the Soviet Union for most of his adult life and that he had served Stalin. The historical

be diminished, especially in the light of Hammer's close and assiduously cultivated connections, later in his life, with Richard Nixon, George Bush, the Prince of Wales, Margaret Thatcher, Bruno Kreisky. Menachem Begin

and a host of Western leaders. A vital and lurid story of our century is buried with Hammer's body in his tomb just off Wilshire Boulevard in Westwood and I hope Ed Epstein has unearthed it; but it is not to be found, in its entirety, in any Kremlin files, nor in the bitter

remembrances of a spurned The writer of that story, if it is not Epstein, will have to look nearer to the present than the past, scrutinising Washington slush-funds and the Swiss

accounts of Third World polit-

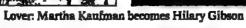
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ical gangsters rather than KGB records. That writer should take a sharp interest in the tens of millions of Hammer's benefactions, especially to Prince Charles's favourite causes such as the United World Colleges. He, or she, should

wanted also look closely into the holocaust that took the lives has fully grasped the astound- of 167 men on Piper Alpha, an Occidental platform. For his role in that catastrophe, Hammer might have faced charges of corporate homicide if he had lived and if a gullible and negligent British press had not

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will write his autobiography on his terms, you will never have to worry about money again". I was so astonished that I took the phone away from my ear to look at it in

At that moment, I was 37, sole supporter of a wife and a baby on Grub Street earnings. My feature articles were regu-

pentium

top newspapers and magazines but my income never spending. The before week Armand Hammer offered £240,000 for one year to write his book, our local bank manager had pronounced me to

be insolvent. I was no more able to refuse his promise (which turned out to be a lie) than Martha Wade Kaufman. She and I go to show that it

doesn't take much to buy a mistress or a ghost. We were small change in Hammer's pocket. But the whoring principle by which Hammer debauched us also applied to his global dealings in business

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tion that will lead to the greater truth about Armand Hammer is this: What does it take to buy a President or a

n the bedroom of his house in Holmby Hills in Los Angeles, Hammer kept a plaque inscribed with a motto that he would see every morning when he opened his eyes. It said: "The Golden Rule: He Who Hath the Gold Maketh the Rule".

As chairman of Occidental, Hammer had a limitless supply of gold with which to apply that satanic principle. His own personal fortune was not great: his estate, after his death in 1990, was worth about \$40 million, But Occidental was the fourteenth largest industrial concern in the

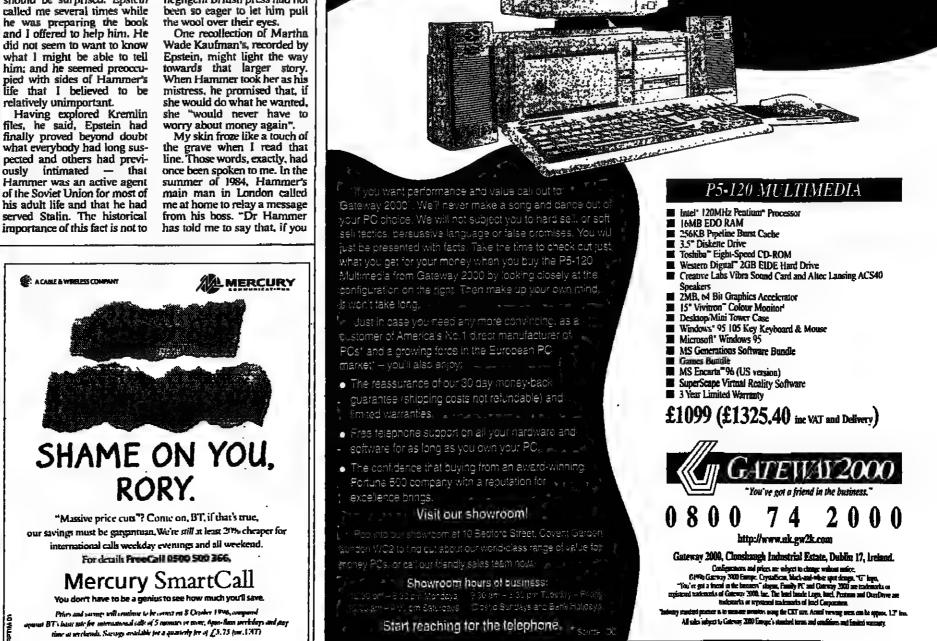
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were more than \$20 billion. Running that corporation as a personal fieldom, helping himself to its takings as if they were in the till in his cornershop, Hammer was able to spend more money than any man on earth. As a matter of straightforward fact, Hammer knew that he could buy any-thing he wanted and anybody he needed. And he did. He whored the world.

Many great ladies and gen-tlemen, abed tonight in England and around the world, will be praying that Ed Ep-stein has not followed the trail of Hammer's gold to their own doors. They will be hoping that he has nothing much more to add to the New Yorker story but has been satisfied to retail the flabbergasting details of a mad old man's last imbroglios. I shall be hoping



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# There is madness in their method

Chris Woodhead on the cost

of ignoring teacher training

The battle in the school sector has been largely won. Parents, politicians of all parties, and most within the teaching profession agree that the public has a right to know how its schools are performing. Few now question the principle of accountability.

Last week the Education Secretary, Gillian Shephard, took the same battle into new educational territory. She announced that the performance of teacher-training institutions was to be opened up to public scrutiny. There is to be a new core curriculum for literacy and numeracy and new inspection arrangements to reveal the effectiveness of the training provided.

Those who believe that the Government's reforms should have focused from the start on teacher training have welcomed the initiative. Others have yet to be convinced. Doug McAvoy, the general secretary of the National Union of Teachers, sees the requirement that student teachers should, above all else, be taught how to teach child-ren to read as a capitulation to the obsessions of far-right policy advisers". And Professor Ted Wragg, of Exeter

University, has spoken movingly about how the creativity of be squashed by this political intrusion into ground that should have rehave remained the professional responsibility of academics like

himself. Should it? Last week also saw the publication of Ofsted's report on La Sainte Union College, Southampton, It was, admittedly, one of the most critical reports we have published on a teacher-training institution. But the weaknesses identified in this college have been found, albeit usually in less extreme form, in a number of other institutions. Some 10 per cent of the been judged unsatisfactory.

The La Sainte Union report tells us that "few (students) had more than a superficial understanding of how to teach reading", that "their ability to assess... pupils' writing is inhibited by their uncertain grasp of the basic structure of English", and that they were "insufficiently skilled in the diagnosis and correction of pupils' errors and misunderstandings in arithmetic.

Moreover, when earlier this year Ofsted inspected the teaching of reading in three London boroughs, the teachers involved were asked whether they felt that their initial training had equipped them to do the job they were now doing. The majority said that it had not. On the assumption that they had not simply forgotten all they had been taught, our judgment of their work confirmed that this was right: around half of the lessons observed in the upper primary years were judged to be unsatisfactory or poor.

Given such evidence, it is not surprising that head teachers have welcomed Mrs Shephard's initiative. They, after all, have to pick up the pieces when they find that a newly qualified teacher cannot teach. Their perspective on life different from that of Professor

Wragg and his peers.

This is not to suggest that all those involved in teacher training agree with Professor Wragg. Neither is it to deny that there are dangers in the development of a national curriculum for teacher training. This curriculum could become both hopelessly encyclopaedic and excessively prescriptive. All enthusiasts will want their particular interests to be given maximum emphasis. The usual bitter battles will be fought over how children should be taught to read or to master the rules of

These pitfalls can and must be avoided. Whatever is said about teaching methods must be rooted in inspection evidence, for, having inspected well over a third of the schools in England, we now have a very clear understanding about which approaches work and which do not. There is an opportunity here to achieve a new and much-needed prag-matism: a clear specification of the knowledge and professional skills which all new teachers have an entitlement to be

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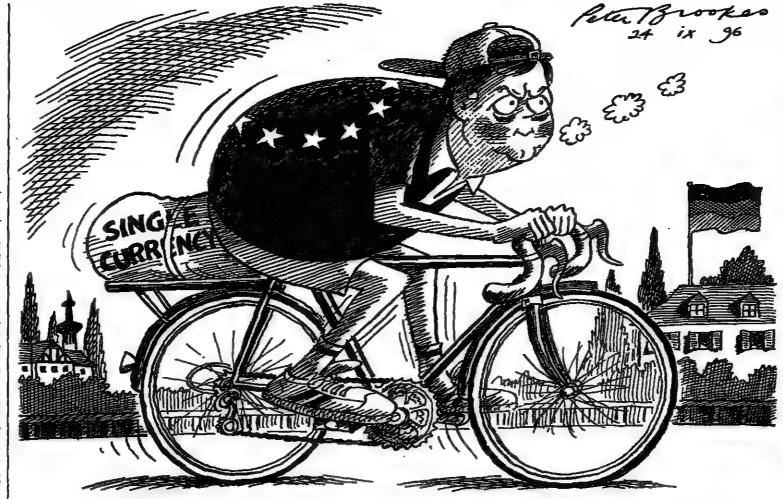
Teacher training institutions will be more accountable than they have ever been before. As in school sector, this accountability will concentrate minds which

might not otherwise have been concentrated. The creativity of new teachers need not be threatened, but any eccentricity of local provision is likely to This initiative must not,

however, become so all-consuming that we lose sight of fundamental issues. Over the past few years, student teachers have been required to spend more and more time in schools. Indeed. the Government has encouraged some schools to take full responsibility for a student's training. There is an obvious logic to these developments. Listening to an academic in the lecture hall is one thing; working alongside an expert teacher and participating in the lesson under their watchguidance, quite another. What, though, are the implications? Do we have enough good schools so that students are exposed to excellent teachers? How do we encourage more good schools to play their proper part in the training of new entrants to the

The future of the teaching profession - and the quality, therefore, of the education we can offer our children depend upon the effectiveness of that training. We should wish the Teacher Training Agency well as it develops the new national curriculum and hope that the Government continues to keep initial teacher training very much at the heart of its drive to raise educational standards.

The author is Her Majesty's



RUNAWAY BOY (AGED 56/4) FOUND CYCLING DOWN AUTOBAHN (NEWS ITEM)

# A witness sorely needed

tween cold logic and love" - as the bishop said to the News of the World reporter "and this was becoming love". Pause for tens of thousands of Roman Catholic heads to sink, moaning, into their owners' hands. Try again, bishop; think it through, take a cold bath, work it out. If your Church, your vocation, had come to represent no more than "cold logic", easily outshone by faulty human love, then you lost the plot and the faith, long ago. Religion is not cold logic it is a greater love or it is nothing at all.

And that is the serious thing, the only important thing. Never mind any number of embarrassed cardinals, furious colleagues, sermons about Judas, debates about celibacy, or announcements by our dauntingly severe Minister for Prisons (on that well-known theological programme, The World this Weekend) that excommunication is the ticket. When a church becomes nothing but "cold logic" to one of its bishops, the

The story of Roderick Wright is a sad one (very sad since there are four teenagers involved - one of his and three of Mrs MacPhee's) but it signifies nothing we did not know. All it tells us is that sexual infatuation makes men behave very badly indeed, forgetting dignity, duty and common consideration, and then trying to cover it all up. And that if they are eminent men, the rest of us are reprehensibly interested in their shenanigans; and that eventually, some newspaper will persuade them to say breathtakingly silly things. It also shows that nobody, especially his superiors, ever believes in an eminent man's chaotic behaviour until absolutely forced to: and that out-of-control men with high public status develop an uncanny ability to kid themselves and everyone else that

nothing is amiss. None of this is remotely unfamiliar: políticians do it, headmasters do it, princes do it, celebrities do it and then tell Hello! magazine how wise it made them grow. Never a day passes without some piece of dreadful sexual behaviour being exposed. The fact that it is another Catholic bishop this time must, I suppose, be put down to the operation of Buggins's Turn.

I have been in Co Cork all week, cringeing at the unfolding saga through both British and Irish media. The main story diverges into plentiful side-issues. The Bishop of Chief Inspector of Schools.

Watching Bishop Roddy's saga from Cork, I feel drawn back to the Church

Down and Connor has revealed that in his diocese there is a special panel set up for priests who have problems with the celibate life. There are claims that there are at least a hundred priests in Ireland in illicit relationships with women. The story also broke of Father Dara Molloy, of Inis Mor in the Aran islands, who has had a bust-up with the archbishop. declared independence and founded a "Celtic Church" of his own design. This, as I understand it, will involve no Pope, outdoor services, a great deal of Irish dancing and a noncelibate clergy. Asked on the radio

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miliar young Irish fury at the too-firm grip of the Catholic Church here has erupted. We hear of

a support group for "recovering Catholics" who feel damaged by their upbringing. There is also a "debaptising" movement in which emotionally scarred Catholics write to their diocese and demand to be taken off the baptismal register. Meanwhile, in another part of the

forest, there is a letter in one Cork publication from a young priest, plaintively saying that he is worried at the idea of ending the celibacy rule because all the single women of the parish will take it as a personal challenge and "never leave him alone". This was reinforced by another priest who said that things et bad enough in the confessional as it is, especially with Dublin girls. However, a Dublin bookmaker is offering 20-1 on a married priest by 1999 and 500-1 on a married Pope by 2005. And in the middle of it all we have copious reporting of the Pope in France, reaffirming his commitment to priestly celibacy in the words, to nuns and priests: "You give a witness

sorely needed." Sovely, indeed.

The paradoxical thing is that, as an estranged cradle Catholic, I find myself curiously drawn back, this week, to the old Church. Maybe it is the effect of following this saga from a country where the angelus bell still precedes the six o'clock main news on both radio and television, and a region where the shutters are still pulled down when a funeral passes. There is dignity in this, in an undignified world. But beyond that is a curious feeling that, despite the shambles of Bishop Roddy, despite the undoubted existence of spoilt priests and whisky priests and letherous priests and - as Ireland has most painfully admitted to itself lately paedophile priests: despite the undoubted harm done down the de-

cades by overzealous ones, the Faith ly untarnished. Lay and clerical Catholic voices from Scotland, after all, were touching mane and hopeful and innocent throughout the unfolding story. When

it was thought the Bishop was having a breakdown there was pure sympathy; when it was obvious he was with a woman. there was a reluctance to condemn: when his teenage son revealed himself it became obviously far harder for his flock and for church leaders to take, as well it might; but only when he fell into the tackiness of selling an exclusive and spouting all-for-love nonsense was the word "betrayal"

s for Cardinal Winning and the other senior Scottish clergy, they may have been slow in disclosing all they knew but there were good reasons for that, not least the delicacy of the son's position and the fear of precipitating the bishop's own suicide. This is a Church, not a political party; its prime duty is to individual souls. And, by and large, the note struck by church officials has been perfectly Christian: saddened but amoous to forgive, to recall, to kindle again the faith in one confused man's heart. Their gentleness has shocked commentators less steeped in charity, but who could resist the joint statement from Cardinal Winning and his arch-

bishop, stunned as mullets both of

them, deploring the sale of Bishop Wright's story but adding "we are glad to note, however, that he appears to be well."

As for the matter of celibate priesthood, the Pope's words should be heard: "The demands of your vows," he said in St-Laurent-sur-Sevre, "may appear to your contemporaries difficult to understand. Do not let this upset you." Celibecy is indeed a mystery to many in this age of avid but arid sexual obsession, and I suspect that compulsory celibacy of clergy will soon be phased out in Catholicism. Now that married Protestant clergy are being ordained when they convert there seems little basis for it, and it is probably putting off many good ordinands.

However, I hope that elective celibacy, perhaps one day in female priests, too, will endure for at least another millennium. Difficult to understand it may be, but for that reason it blazes forth, as nothing else could, the Catholic conviction that divine love transcends and contains every other love. A priest is not celibate because he loves nobody, but because he wants to love everybody.

in the name of God. If you take your eye off the Bishops of Argyll and of Galway and their assorted fallen compeers, you will see thousands of Catholic priests and nuns with all the warm blood and affectionate instincts of full human beings, living the celibate life as a gesture of a wider love. That is not unnatural: it is supernatural.

I was educated in convent schools, and I have watched it at close, even claustrophobic, quarters: the fact is that while some patently can't take the strain and go off the rails, others find that depriving yourself of private domestic intimacy can create an extraordinary capacity for wise, wholehearted loving-kindness in the service of humanity at large. That the Catholic Church still honours this quixotic ideal is not something it should be ashamed of: though whether it can much longer insist on it for

every priest is doubtful. So pray, if you pray, for poor old Bishop Roddy; but do not for a minute think that his ever more visibly chequered past tells us anything to the discredit of his Church. It marches on, like an army with banners. And even those of us who. for one reason or another, cannot quite bring ourselves to fall into step feel no less inclined this week to raise a ragged cheer for it.

# Splendid isolation, Mr Clarke

**Anatole Kaletsky** 

on Anglo-German rivalry over Africa

A fter detonating his bombshell about the "pathetic" people who reject Britain's European destiny. Kenneth Clarke flew off to America last night. He was off to the annual meetings of the Commonwealth finance ministers, the World Bank and International Monetary Fund. In the idle hours of his transatlantic flight, as he contemplates yet another week of incarceration in stuffy rooms with stuffy people, Mr Clarke should consider two intriguing contrasts between the conclaves that lie ahead of him and the meeting of European finance ministers he has just come back from in Dublin.

The first contrast is between the results of the two meetings. In Dublin the ministers were arguing, as ever, about angels on pinheads: this time. the wording of an unenforceable "stability pact" to govern tax and spending policies after European monetary union. The meeting in Washington, by contrast, is expected to agree on a new policy which will directly contribute, in a modest way. to human welfare and will provide a small but significant stimulus to world trade. The plan is to use a small part of the LMF's gold reserves. along with some other financial devices, to relieve the debts of 20 very poor developing countries which the IMF judges are making serious efforts to improve their economic

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management. This plan has been eagerly de-manded for years by churches and aid lobbyists, who have pointed to the inhumanity of forcing the Government of Uganda, for example, to spend five times as much on foreign debt repayments as it does on health. But debt relief also reflects a sober judgment about what is good for world finance and trade. A country such as Mozambique - where the foreign debt of \$311 per head is equivalent to four times an average citizen's entire annual income - will never repay its debts. To pretend otherwise is a fantasy which brings the entire international financial system into disrepute, as well as frustrating the efforts of the IMF and World Bank to improve economic

management in the Third World. Indeed, in the two years it has taken to negotiate the debt relief package, there has not been a single serious argument raised against it. except by one country - Germany. This brings me to the second interesting contrast between the two ends of

Mr Clarke's schedule this week. The deal to be agreed in Washington next weekend started out as a British initiative - and one for which Mr Clarke personally deserves a great deal of credit. Britain initially had no real support for his plan. So Mr Clarke spent two years persuading America, Japan, France and others to back his plan. Germany, however, was immoveable. Why did a country which claims to be more generous to the Third World than America or Britain so vehemently oppose this obviously beneficial plan?

Last June, Helmut Kohl revealed his motives. Allowing the IMF to use even a small portion of its gold reserves for the benefit of poor nations would "have a negative psychological effect", he declared. The German people were "debating" monetary issues in Europe at present. If the IMF sold gold today for the benefit of poor nations, this might be seen as a precedent for similar demands to sell Bundesbank gold in the future.

If the German Chancellor speaks of national interests to his European "partners", that is the end of the matter. Everybody else shuts up even if he is talking irrational nonsense. That, indeed, was what happened in Dublin last weekend no other country wanted the stability pact, but Germany insisted and so everyone agreed — and, on an epic scale, when Germany decided to recognise Croatia, precipitating the Bosnian war. How then did Mr Clarke overcome Germany's objec-tions to the IMF gold sales? The answer is that he did not have to. Germany still opposes the Clarke plan and may vote against it in the IMF board. If so, it will simply be

There is a moral in this story. both for Britain and Mr Clarke. Whereas Germany is the dominant power in the European Union, the same is not true in the broader international arena. In the IMF, the World Bank and the United Nations, Germany is just another middle-ranking country, not significantly more important than Britain or France. Conventional wisdom in Britain asserts that this country is so small it can only influence world events through its membership of the EU. But this is manifest nonsense. When Britain has a good case, it can often prevail in an international forum by finding allies in America and Asia, as well as in Europe. It is precisely when everything has to be agreed first at the European level that Britain loses its chance to make its voice heard in the world.

If Britain had had to agree 2 European position that would satisfy the Germans. Mr Clarke's debt initiative would have been stilled at birth - and millions of the world's poorest people would have suffered. Now that really would have been pathetic.

# Sock it to him

THE CLINTON administration is beset by a new scandal: Socksgate. Socks, the most famous feline in the Western world (with apologies to Humphrey, the Downing Street cat), is creating problems. Bill Clinton is reportedly allergic to the

Symptoms include adult acne, a hoarse voice and insufferable itching. Relief comes in the form of

weekly injections.

The allergy will simply add fuel to arguments about the President's health. Republican contender Bob Dole has demanded that Clinton

Socks: First Person allergy

should make available his medical records for public inspection. Despite his considerable age (73), Dole claims that he is in better health than the present incumbent of the White House.

The Wall Street Journal has even suggested that, in choosing to reveal only some of his records. Clinton may be trying to hide alleged cocaine use during the

But scrutiny of medical records Clinton has made available highlights the President's allergies. This is why he takes Claritan D... a desensitisation shot ... as well as eye drops for allergy". A White House spokeswoman says only that the President has "many allergies, including dust and pol-len". Dr Roger Mugford, moggy shrink, is worried: "Problems asso ciated with allergies to cats include coughing and spluttering and, more rarely, skin conditions. He should send the cat to Bob Dole."

### Arch rival

KENNETH CLARKE'S spat with the Euro-sceptics is not foremost in the minds of the Tories of Tun-

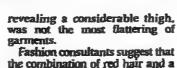


bridge Wells. The backlash has hegun against Archie Norman, the Asda chief who won the constituency's nomination as Conservative candidate.

Some believe he should have remained up North to fight the Harrogate constituency, now bravely manned by Norman Lamont, which has become known to some as Horrorgate on account of its wafer-thin majority. So strong are feelings that the cry "Archie Norman" is being substituted for the expletive "Gordon Bennett" on local building sites.

#### Chow mien

THE DUCHESS of York has given up on her diet, if the pictures of her swanning about China courtesy of David Tang are anything to go by. Her green velvet dress, low cut and



fair skin do not lend themselves easily to the chosen Versace-esque outfit. How fortunate, then, that she appears to have decided against modelling in favour of journalism. Scribblers are not best ed for sartorial elegance.

• Even manic billionaires have an Achilles heel. Sir James Gold-



Fuller Fergie: figure of fun

smith's weakness comes in the form of rubber bands. He cannot bear the sight, let alone the feel, of them - worse than nails being scraped down a blackboard. Tories in Putney, where Sir James is chal-lenging David Mellor at the election, are being taught flicking techniques as I write.

#### Luggables

WHERE FASHIONABLE travel accessories are concerned, turn to Elizabeth Hurley for advice. Not for her the soft pigskin valises of Louis Vuitton; the Estee Lauder girl has acquired two brass-cornered, boarding-school trunks in

which to pack her belongings.

According to a friend, the dark green trunks were purchased at Peter Jones, purveyor of boys shorts and boaters for pigtailed girls. "She travels about so much that she misses the security of a fixed abode," explains my source. "She bought this sturdy luggage so that she could take her homely mementoes with her wherever she goes. Audrey Hepburn used trunks to carry her superstar clob-ber in the Fifties and Sixties."

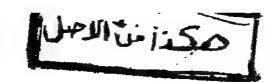
included among Elizabeth's trifies are linen sheets, and photographs of her parents and her cherished German Shepherd,



Hurley: trunkloads of space

 Just as I predicted, the 17-yearold grandson of ailing Russian leader Boris Yeltsin has fallen foul of the authorities in his first month at Millfield school in Somerset. Despite protestations, he has been ordered to shave off his mous-tache. "He's not pleased at all." says a classmate. "To young Russians, moustaches are an indica-

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## **CLARKE CAN GO**

The Chancellor would be little missed or mourned

Kenneth Clarke has long tested the patience of his enemies: he is now trying sorely the tolerance of his friends. With weekend words that could not be construed as careless, the Chancellor toppled John Major's carefully constructed policy on European Monetary Union and with it, the strategy for reconciling the divergent wings of the Conservative Party. Yesterday the full extent of the damage in Downing Street was becoming clear.

The deal on EMU, reached last April only after lengthy argument, went as far as Mr Major could to meet halfway the concerns of a Chancellor who would dearly like Britain to be inside a monetary union. It kept open Britain's options on the single currency. It also aimed to prevent any consequent ambiguity from providing cover for a dash to membership: it built in a guarantee that should a future Cabinet ever decide to join, the Government would consult the British people in a referendum.

The Cabinet's convinced opponents of British participation in EMU would have preferred to see it ruled out for the lifetime of the next Parliament. But they honoured the bargain for the sake of unity. The Chancellor has now cavalierly breached this deal. His words at the weekend were not just an elastic reinterpretation of Cabinet policy to suit his own political agenda; they treated the policy itself with derision.

For Mr Clarke, keeping Britain's options open means a decision no later than December next year - in time to join what he calls Europe's "first division". It emphatically does not mean leaving Germany, France and other countries to go ahead without Britain; "joining late", he said flatly, would

be "pathetic" and "the worst policy of all". The Chancellor's further assertion that "you couldn't operate the European Union without a single currency" was still more reckless, this time of British rather than party interests. With just such arguments, France has been seeking sanctions to counteract the advantages of monetary flexibility

Britain could gain by staying outside EMU. Mr Clarke has undermined the mediumterm British strategy for handling the EMU debate in Europe, articulated by Malcolm Rifkind in Zurich only two days earlier.

This strategy provides the best justifica-tion yet for the Cabinet compromise. Ambiguity not only keeps Britain in the fray: it allows Mr Major to insist on serious discussion about relations between the countries who would be in and out of EMU. These are discussions that Germany would prefer to keep off the agenda. Mr Rifkind's aim is to win allies in the EU for the argument that, because EMU will produce damaging divisions in the Union, its inauguration must be the subject of unanimous and enthusiastic approval.

Having lit the blue touchpaper, Mr Clarke flew off to Bermuda and Washington to commune with other finance ministers. Mr Major has been left to contain the explosions. The strength of Mr Clarke has stemmed in recent months from his general management of the economy. Until now, it has been broadly accepted even by ministers on the Right that Mr Clarke's departure from the Government would be electorally disastrous, splitting the party, damaging the voters' slowly reviving confidence in the Tories as economic managers and ruining chances of a Tory recovery before the election. But, yesterday, as the brazenness of Mr Clarke's challenge to his colleagues became clearer, the balance of risk changed.

Mr Clarke has thrown caution and honour to the winds. The most likely explanation is his knowledge that the Cabinet majority against him has hardened and that ambiguity on EMU no longer works in his favour. In July, we wrote that the Major Government needed to come off the fence on EMU. The signs are that it has done so; but that it sees Britain's interest is in not saying so. If this is a secret that Mr Clarke cannot keep, he can go. He would be less missed than he would like to think and

### **TACTICS OF TERROR**

A reverse for republicanism, and a reminder for politicians

Almost exactly 12 years ago Irish republicans attempted to decapitate the British Government with a bomb at the Conservative Party conference in Brighton. Providence spared most of the intended victims then. Vigilance may now have averted atrocities intended to equal and exceed that murderous attack. The security forces are to be congratulated on their capture early vesterday of IRA volunteers in England and their arsenal. They appear to have prevented violence on a massive scale timed to coincide with the party conferences.

The loss of six terrorists is a sore blow to the IRA's military capability. Since the IRA resumed hostilities, one of its men has died at his own hands, a bomb placed by Hammersmith Bridge has failed to detonate, a major explosives factory has been found in the Republic, seven volunteers were arrested in July and now five more have been arrested and another killed. The IRA's tactic of concentrating on the British mainland has been severely disrupted by these reverses, which have come as republicans are believed to be reviewing their strategy.

There have been reports that an IRA general army convention apparently planned for next month might discuss a cessation of violence. The revelation that acts of terror were still being planned does not, in itself, invalidate the suggestion that a ceasefire was imminent. The IRA would only wish to suspend the armed struggle from a position of strength. A "spectacular" which penetrated to the heart of the British State would assure their supporters of the republicans' undiminished capacity to fight. Having shown themselves unbowed, republicans could then walk into negotiations, their guns silenced but still eloquent. The

scale, however, of the military activity that the IRA was planning could point to a much more depressing conclusion. Since the Docklands bomb, the nature of IRA activity has implied a commitment to a protracted bombing campaign on the mainland and a desire to provoke loyalists into breaking their ceasefire. Leading republicans appear to believe that there is small chance of progress this side of looming elections in the Irish Republic and United Kingdom.

Republicans may be correct in calculating that a Fianna Fail government in Dublin would be more indulgent than John Bruton's coalition but they are on less certain ground in believing that a change at Westminster would benefit them. Speaking at the Times/Dillons forum last week Tony Blair confirmed that Northern Ireland was part of his "New Britain", underlined his support for John Major's current policy and pledged to match the effort invested in the

peace process by the Prime Minister. With massive constitutional change already planned elsewhere it is hard to see Mr Blair seeking to expose another flank by departing too far from Mr Major's cautious approach. He could, however, come under greater pressure from a re-elected President Clinton to go over the heads of the Unionist

majority to deal with the republicans. Yesterday's discovery should provide a reminder, if one were needed, of the real nature of republicanism. Whatever the result of any future election the victors in London and Dublin should pledge themselves to work with others who resolve differences by argument, not Armalites. Only when deeds as well as words show that violence is fruitless and its advocates unheard will Ulster enjoy real peace.

#### MORSE THE CODE

The great detective: our part in his rise to fame

So Inspector Morse's Christian name was Endeavour. Elementary. No wonder he was not keen to let his girlfriends or even his trusty sergeant in on his embarrassing secret. The final solution to Morse's name beginning with E was announced yesterday to launch what is said to be his last case.

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The success of Morse has been generally traced to the classic English detective story of the golden age, the combination of Lord Peter Wimsey's intellectual charm with the cachet of spotting which Oxford colleges had been cannibalised on film. Take in the setting of ghastly events in an apparently respectable world. Contrast overindulgence in draught beer with overindulgence in Wagner on CD: and there you have Morse, created a cult detective by television, whose every episode attracted an audience 20 times more than that for all his books.

But searchers for the secret of Morse should never forget his passion for the cryptic puzzle. Crosswords and classic detective stories play the same game by teasing the solver/reader towards a solution that becomes obvious as soon as it is seen. Morse is an addict of The Times crossword. One novel, The Way Through The Woods, was built around it and showed expert knowledge of the internal workings of The Times. How often have crossword-setters

we that when we have eliminated the

impossible, whatever remains, however improbable, must be the truth?

Morse could not have been called Elvis without anachronism or Eustace without bathos. The clues are all there in this last book: Morse's Quaker mother, the father with the passion for Captain Cook and their instructions to their son to try and try again. The solution, which has attracted teasing publicity and serious betting, leaps off the page - once it is explained.

There is another rule of the genre, that the hero should have an egregious first name, such as Sherlock, Hercule, Nero, Ganesh and now Endeavour, while his baffled but admiring sidekick should know his place, and have a name as common as John Watson so as not to upstage his leader. Subsequent Watsons are customarily called after dull southern English towns such as Hastings and (homophonically) Sergeant Lewis himself. Even Morse addicts are familiar with him and Mrs Lewis without

knowing their first names. Another rule is that the fictional detective sometimes becomes bigger than his creator: Sir Arthur Conan Doyle became the slave of his creation, and had to bring him back from death in the cauldron of the Reichenbach Falls. With so much popularity and money at stake, we may not yet have seen the last bow of Endeavour Morse, alias John Thaw. I Pennington Street, London El 9XN Telephone 0171-782 5000

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## High ideals of celibacy and marriage in the priesthood

From Professor Malcolm H. Dunn

Sir. The publicity surrounding the case of Bishop Roderick Wright once again highlights a dangerous tendency in contemporary mores, particulary when the media choose to fan the flames. It is to confuse the failure of an aspirant to a high ideal with the fail-ure of that ideal itself.

The failure of one celibate amongst many becomes, in the eyes of the media, the failure of celibacy itself as a valid religious endeavour. The failure of certain (high-profile) marriages immediately becomes the failure of marriage, the institution.

Self-righteous tittle-tattle endangers society's deeper values. By contrast, the dignity and charity being shown by the Roman Catholic Church in the present affair should serve as a lesson

Yours sincerely, MALCOLM H. DUNN, Luchnagar, Lade Braes, St Andrews, Fife.

From the Reverend E. Holloway

Sir. I feel as sick and hurt as anyone else, but may I make myself a little un-popular by asking about the women concerned? They speak as if they were totally innocent and totally wronged.

That the bishop and the priests concerned are more to blame I agree. They may not present themselves as tragic victims. But a woman who claims to be a practising Catholic knows that a priest has taken a binding vow as sacred as marriage. However tempted, she has a duty to say no.

If she does not, and above all if she allows an affair to proceed to other children, then she is herself living a lie as much as the priest is. She is also very guilty.

Yours sincerely, EDWARD H. HOLLOWAY, Catholic Church of St Ambrose, 2 Warren Park, Warlingham, Surrey. September 20.

From Sir Bryan Thwaites

Sir, Perhaps a personal anecdote from a layman may throw a little further light on the issue of celibacy, as argued in four letters, all from priests, which you published today.

Ever since my wife died, just five years ago, I have been constantly struggling with the mystery of why l myself should go on living. One man alone has given me sufficient strength in this struggle. That man is my celi-bate Roman Catholic priest.

I am in no doubt that the very fact of his celibacy has enabled him to avoid the conventional mundane, man-to-man sympathies, and so to concentrate with much greater power on the eternal spiritual realities which ultimately govern our existence here on

Earth.

There may come a time when there are both married and celibate Roman Catholic priests; but I know to whom I would turn in times of real personal

Yours faithfully, BRYAN THWAITES. Milnthorpe, Winchester, Hampshire. September 18.

From the Venerable B. H. Lucas

Sir, I am tired of hearing Roman Catholic priests and bishops advocate the practice of celibacy in the priest-hood because it enables the clergy to give more freely of their time to their people.

I was already an ordained Anglican priest when I married, so my wife knew what she was taking on. She understood and accepted that my vow of service to Christ in his Church would always have to come first in our marriage. For over 30 years she has supported and encouraged my priesthood; accepting my sudden departure in the middle of dinner or the night as necessary; making welcome in our home distressed souls, or temporarily homeless families; coping with long hours of solitude when I was away on church business, and at the same time bringing up three children and suc-cessfully holding down a demanding

job in her own right. All this has been more than compensated for by a vibrant, exciting and secure home life; in short, the sort of loving and caring home which many Roman Catholic priests appear to desire. Given the kind of competent, capable and Christian woman with whom I have been blessed in marriage, there seems no good reason why their Church should deny them this

Yours faithfully, BRIAN LUCAS, Pen-y-Coed, 6 Arnhem Drive, Caythorpe, Lincolnshire.

From Dr Chris Pond

Sir. In the Anglican and Free Churches, generations of ministers' wives - and now husbands - have made an inestimably valuable contribution to the Church's ministry.

The duties of one Primitive Methodist minister's wife, as well as her work as wife and mother, were described in the local records of an east London church in 1910 as:

leading the Band of Hope, promoting Christian Endeavour, teaching the Sunday School, and supporting the minister in all his work, as well as being only appealing when the circuit stewards come to assess the dilapidations on the Manse

So it continues today: the wife of our new Methodist minister here has already started a new fellowship group, assists with another, runs the motherand-toddler group and contributes greatly to her husband's mission.

The Catholic Church should conduct a value-for-money audit on its and other churches' dergy. It might find it would get two ministries -equally valuable - for the price of

And yes, the manse was renovated last year ...

Yours &c, CHRIS POND, Forest Villa Staples Road, Loughton, Essex. September 18.

From Professor H. MacL. Currie

Sir, There is a typical Anglican saying, often applied to the subject of sacramental confession, that could probably with advantage be adopted by the Roman hierarchy with regard to marriage amongst priests: "None must, some should, all may."

Yours truly, H. MacL. CURRIE, 25 West Street, Yarm, Cleveland.

From Mrs Jillian Woolcock

Sir. I suspect that some of the very people who normally advocate divorce and unmarried cohabitation. are now fervently advocating marriage. But only for Catholic priests?

Yours faithfully, J. WOOLCOCK Can Flor, Calle Son Ferreret 36, Génova 07015, Palma de Mallorca. September 22.

ity that may impair effective participa-

Following awareness training as to

the implications of different disabili-

ties, judges would be in a position to

give appropriate directions in further-

ance of the overriding objective of en-

suring that the parties are on an equal

footing. This might involve, for exam-

ple, transfer of the case to another

tion by a party in the proceedings

#### **Hanratty hanging**

From Dr A. R. Warmington

Sir, James Hanratty's execution in April 1962 (report, September 23) for the "A6 murder" was indeed one of the ossest miscarriages of justice of our times, but he was not the last man to be hanged for murder in this country.

Despite increasing public revulsion, the death penalty continued to be imposed and carried out, if sparingly, for a further two years and four months. There were five hangings in this time, the last two coming in Aug-

The Home Office's arrogant, grudeing attitude towards possible errors was much the same then as now hence the fact that the A6 murder case remains the subject of new investigations and reports long after Hanratty's innocence ceased to be news to anyone outside Department C3, which was "set up to deal with miscarriages of justice".

Yours sincerely. A. R. WARMINGTON. 19 Northbourne Road. Clapham, SW4. September 23.

#### Secret army

From Mr Hugh Astor

Sir, Auxiliary Units referred to in your report of September 7 and subsequent letters (September 17) are the subject of a brief description by Colonel Peter Fleming, formerly special correspondent and leader writer on The Times, in his book, Invasion 1940, and he himself played a prominent part in their formation.

Recruits were selected for their courage, initiative and knowledge of the area in which they were to operate and they reflected Winston Churchill's determination to oppose any attempted German invasion to the bitter

Their existence was kept top-secret and their potential effectiveness has since been questioned, mainly by people not alive at the time and who find it difficult to appreciate the mood of the country in 1940. There was a general realisation that we are an island race who have always jealously fought to safeguard our independence and there was a determination not to follow the example of our continental neighbours by easy capitulation.

Yours sincerely. HUGH ASTOR. 79 Ashley Gardens Thirleby Road, SWI. September 17.

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Letters for publication should carry contact telephone numbers. We regret that we cannot accept letters by telephone but they may be sent by fax to 0171-782 5046.

#### Disabled in court

From District Judge Gordon Ashton

Sir. In a climate of community care it might have been thought that the Woolf civil justice reforms would address the needs of physically or mentally disabled people who encounter the civil justice system. But there is little emphasis on this in the report and the accompanying draft rules, which instead concentrate upon financial in-

It is not sufficient that the courts may make allowances if the need arises. With cutbacks in legal aid there are more litigants in person, who do not have a solicitor to compensate for their inadequacies, and all too often the need for special provision is only realised when it is too late to respond effectively.

If judges are to be effective case managers the procedures should en-sure that they are informed, at an ear-ly stage, of the existence of any disabil-

From the Director of the Carnegie

Third Age Programma Sir, Mr Eric Bellenie (letter, September 17: see also letters September 12. 14, 19) usefully reminds us that the United Kingdom's record on age dis-

The Commission of the EU is well placed to give a lead to all of us in matters of employment policy. How ironic therefore that the Commission itself imposes and defends mandatory age limits for many of its own jobs (a maximum of age 35 in some cases, even 32

PO Box 160, Burnham Norton. Now that many employers, political Kings Lynn. Norfolk. parties and governments are starting September 20.

## Welsh chapels

From Mrs Catherine Porteous

Sir, The trustees of the National Heritage Memorial Fund have had talks with the Welsh Chapels Trust and other interested bodies about the plight of Welsh chapels to see how the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF), in association with the Welsh Historic Monuments Agency (Cadw), can help to avert the impending disaster so graphically described by Simon Jenkins (article, September 7: letters, Sep-

The support of such a vital part of the heritage of Wales must be a pri-

In spite of these contacts, we have not so far received as many applications from Welsh chapels as we had expected, although nearly one third of all applications to the Heritage Lottery Fund have come from places of

Since it opened for business in January 1995, the fund has supported more than 100 churches with grants amounting to nearly £10 million.

The National Heritage Memorial Fund, the body which distributes the court with suitable facilities, requiring documents to be produced in enlarged form, the provision of assistance with

communication or simply allowing longer time estimates. Unless this is done, our civil courts could find themselves out of step with the Disability Discrimination Act. and it will not be true access to justice

Yours sincerely. G. R. ASHTON [Member, Law Society's Mental Health and Disability Sub-committee). The Law Courts, Preston, Lancashire. September 17.

to recognise the folly and waste of age

discrimination, is it not time for the

Commission to accept that there can

be no justification for such arbitrary

Surely we should expect the Com-

mission, of all institutions, to show by

its own policies that each of us de-

serves to be considered for employ-

ment, training and promotion on our

merits as individuals, and that it is un-fair and wasteful to make assump-

tions about our ability simply on

The Carnegie Third Age Programme,

RICHARD WORSLEY, Director.

exclusion?

grounds of our age.

Yours faithfully,

#### Age discrimination

crimination is worse than that of other EU member states.

### Heritage Lottery Fund, is after all described as the heritage safety net.

CATHERINE PORTEOUS (Chairman, Places of Worship Advisory Committee), Heritage Lottery Fund, 10 St James's Street, SWI. September 20.

#### From Mr Richard Baxter

Sir, What saddens me most about Simon Jenkins's article is his blaming the loss of Welsh chapels on the English failure to legislate properly.

As one who has been concerned with local regeneration in Wales over many years, I believe that the chief cause lies in the failure of the Welsh to shout loudly enough. If the loss of historic buildings generally was an im-portant issue to them, their voices would be heard. I suspect that, deep down, they just don't care, and therein lies the real sadness.

RICHARD BAXTER. Nelson Court. Nelson Street, Shotton, Flintshire. September 21.

Yours sincerely.

#### Liverpool's gains from slave trade

From the Director of the National Museums and Galleries

on Mersecside Sir. In your report on the tours arranged by the Merseyside Maritime Museum of the sites associated with Liverpool's involvement in the slave trade (September 9; see also letters, September 18) you quoted a local historian who suggests that the impor-

tance of the slave trade for Liverpool's prosperity has been overstated. Whether we like it or not, the buying and selling of Africans was the cornerstone of Liverpool's overseas trade from 1730 to 1807. More than a quarter of Liverpool-owned shipping tonnage was involved in the trade between 1750 and 1775. One of the exhibits in the Maritime Museum's striking new gallery on transatlantic slavery is a silver epergne presented in 1792 to James Penny, a Liverpool merchant in the slave trade, by a grateful town council in recognition of his fight against the abolitionists.

Other critics of the tours are quoted in your report as suggesting they impart a negative image of the city, harm inward investment and encourage shame and guilt on the part of citizens today. In fact the tour guides go out of their way to promote the positive aspects of Liverpool, and reflect on the benefits that flowed from the prosperity created in part by the slave trade.

It is important for the future that the city is able to confront its past with confidence and without rancour. As the American writer and poet, Dr Maya Angelou, declared at the opening ceremony for the new gallery: "In telling this story neither guilt on one side nor bitterness on the other are appropriate."

Yours sincerely, RICHARD FOSTER, Director, National Museums and Galleries on Merseyside, Liverpool Museum. William Brown Street, Liverpool. September 18.

#### On your motorbike

From Mr Daniel Ascher

Sir, As a recent convert to the benefits of commuting to work by motorcycle

the benefits including reduced costs, travelling time, stress and dependence on an inadequate public tranport system - I welcome the Liberal Democrats' proposal (report and leading article, September 21) to en-

courage motorcycle use. In recent years the training require ments to gain a full motorcycle licence have been enhanced, with beneficial effects on casualty rates. But with the exception of a theory test and a parking test, the training requirements for car drivers have not been changed and are quite inadequate for today's

motoring conditions. If the benefits of motorcycle use are to be enjoyed in safety by larger numbers of riders, it is essential that the general standard of driving is enhancd through better driver training. Will the Liberal Democrats include this requirement in their discussion paper?

Yours faithfully, DANIEL ASCHER, 33 Collins Drive. Eastcote, Middlesex. September 21.

Animal insights

From Mr John Burton Sir, I feel mean to belittle Scruffy's apparently psychic achievements (Mr Simon Doughty's letter, September 16; see also letters September 12) but

the truth is more prosaic. Dogs are sensitive to atmosphere and the impending return of wander-ers from Australia would have given rise to unusual preparations and numerous conversations, not least at the moment of their departure from Brisbane. Familiar words - mummy, daddy, home, coming, etc - would have caused Scruffy to head for the

Since animals are, in Shakespeare's ungailant words, beasts without "discourse of reason", the family pet would have ignored abstracts such as "tomorrow" and begun her vigil of 25 hours, less down-time for eating and

All domestic animals are exposed to an endless jumble of words and music etc, but the dog may be particularly well tuned in to filtering the sounds of the pack.

I once mentioned to my wife that we might expect a visit from our Portuguese friend, Antonio. The slumbering wolfskin rose instantly to his feet and let out a fearsome bark. This was not paranormal, but he got a Bonio just the same.

Yours faithfully, JOHN BURTON, 27 Treadgold Street, W11. September 17.

## Fair shares

From Mr John English

Sir, Has there ever been a better example of an organisation practising what it preaches than that of the Monopolies and Mergers Commission advertising, as it did in today's edition of The Times, for two Deputy Chairmen?

Yours faithfully, JOHN ENGLISH. Wychwood House, Little Barrington, Oxfordshire,

Mr N.J. Roach

and Miss LJ. Roch

The marriage took place on Sat-urday, September 21, 1996, in Lincoln's Inn Chapel, of Mr Nicolas James Roach, elder son of Mr and Mrs Dennis Roach, of Christ-

church. Hampshire, to Miss Lucinda Jane Roch, middle daugh-

ter of the Right Hon Sir John Ormand Roch and the late Anne

Elizabeth Roch, of Uzmaston,

and Miss E.A. Hubbard
The marriage took: place on
September 14, at the Chapel of St
Mary and St George, Cheltenham
College, of Mr Etienne Angles
d'Auriac, son of Mr and Mrs
Bruno Anglès d'Auriac, of Paris, to

Miss Elizabeth Hubbard, daugh-ter of Mr and Mrs Bernard Hubbard, of Cheltenham. The Rev

Peter Wills officiated, assisted by

Father Joachim Gunther.
A reception was held at the
Royal Agricultural College.

Cirencester, and the honeymoon is being spent in Jordan.

The marriage took place on September 14, 1996, at St Michael

the Archangel, Warfield, of Mr Stuart John Bridges, son of Mr and Mrs Frederick Francis

Bridges, of Hampshire, to Miss Diane Leonie Forrester, daughter of Mr and Mrs Jack Thorpe Forrester, of Cheshire.

The marriage took place on Sat-urday, September 21, 1996, at St

Paul's Church, Knightsbridge, be-tween Mr Andrew William Beresford Chancellor, son of Mrs

Honor Chancellor and the late Mr

Anthony Chancellor, and Miss

Camilla Emily Morgan, eldest daughter of Mr Christopher Mor-

gan and Mrs Patsy Morgan.
A reception was held at the Reform Club, Pall Mall.

Mr S.J. Bridges and Miss D.L. Forrester

Mr A.W.B. Chancellor

and Miss C.E. Morgan

Mr E. Anglès d'Auriac and Miss E.A. Hubbard

**Marriages** 

Miss E.C. van Musschenbroek

The marriage took place on Friday, September 20, 1996, at Bath Abbey, between Mr Simon Neill.

son of Mr and Mrs David Neill, of Hathersage, Derbyshire, and Miss Emily van Musschenbroek daughter of Mr and Mrs Kelsey

van Musschenbroek, of Bath. The Rev Charles Roberts officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was at-tended by Georgina and Francesca

King, Sally Williams, Jessica Wear, Sarah Wainwright and

Miss Caroline van Musschen-

broek. Mr Alex Pasteur was best A reception was held at the Guildhall, Bath, and the honeymoun is being spent abroad.

Forthcoming

The engagement is announced between James, elder son of Mr

and Mrs Edward Goolnik, of Highgate, London, and Helen.

only daughter of Mr and Mrs

David Simmons, of Norwich

The engagement is announced between Richard, son of Mr and

Mrs Geoffrey Norton, of Oadby, Leicestershire, and Sally, daughter

of District Judge and Mrs George

Harrison, of Willington, Cheshire

and Miss F.L. Clegg The engagement is announced between Mark, son of Mr and Mrs

Kenneth Saxby, of Fourstones, Northumberland, and Flona

Louise, younger daughter of Mrs Dorothy Clegg and the late Mr Anthony Clegg, OBE, of Linton, Yorkshire.

Vicar. All Saints. Tooting

marriages

and Dr H. Simmons

Dr J.S. Goolnik

Norfolk.

Mr R. Norton

and Miss S. Harrison

Mr M.K.B. Saxby



## **COURT CIRCULAR**

**BUCKINGHAM PALACE** September 23: The Princess Royal, President, Animal Health Trust, this morning opened the new quarry for John Fyfe plc, Duntilland, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Lanarkshire (Mr Hutchison Sneddon).

The Queen has been pleased to appoint the Right Reverend Jona-than Bailey, Bishop of Derby, to be Clerk of the Closet to Her Majesty in succession to the Right Reverend John Waine, retired. The appointment to date from November 7, 1996.

Professor Tony Challis
A memorial of thanksgiving for

Professor Tony Challis, former Chief Scientist, Department of

Energy, was held yesterday at St

John's Smith Square. The Rev Alan Tanner introduced the speak-

ers who included Dr Hugh Reed

of the Institute of Materials, Mr

Peter Bean, Mr Ralph Clark.

Chairman of Somerset County Council, Professor Mike Bevis, and Mr Robert Urquhart. Mr John McGreal played the organ

A Memorial Service for Sir Anthony Parsons, GCMG, LVO, MC,

will be held in St Martin-in-the-Fields, Trafalgar Square, London,

on Monday, October 21, at 3,30pm.

Royal Over-Seas League Sir Rex Hunt was the guest

speaker at the opening meeting of the autumn session of the Dis-cussion Circle of the Royal Over-

Seas League held last night at

Over-Seas House, St James's. Mrs

Field Marshal Sir Peter Inge, Chief

of the Defence Staff, was the host

the Ministry of Defence at Admiralty House in honour of

Lieutenant-General Jiri Nekvasil, Chief of the General Staff of the

Armed Forces of the Czech Repub-

sterday at a luncheon given by

Elizabeth Cresswell presided.

Memorial service

and harpsichord

Parsons

Meeting

Luncheon

Ministry of Defence

Sir Anthony

#### Today's royal engagements

Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, as Colonel-in-Chief of The Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment), on behalf of The Queen, will present new Colours to the 1st Battalion at Birkhall, Ballater, Aberdeenshire, at 11.45. The Princess Royal, as President, The Princess Royal Trust for Carers, will open the Walsall Carers Centre, The Crossing at St Paul's, Darwall Street, Walsall, at 10.30, and will attend a fund-raising lunch at IMI, Witton Road, Birmingham, at 12.25. Later, as Chancellor of London University will attend the dinner to mark the merger of the London Hospital
Medical College and St Bartholomew's Hospital Medical College
with Queen Mary and Westfield
College and the establishment of St

London Hospital Medical College
Research Burtholomew's and the Royal London School of Medicine and Dentistry, at Drapers' Hall, at

The Duke of Gloucester, as Grand Prior of the Order of St John, accompanied by the Duchess of Gloucester, will attend a military concert at Guildhall at 6.50. The Duchess of Gloucester will visit the Montessori St Nicholas Centre at 11.00 to mark the centre's golden jubilee and will open the lecture room at Princes Gate, SW7, afterwards.

Princess Alexandra will open the renovated nursing home for the Royal Air Forces Association at Sussexdown, Washington Road, Storrington, West Sussex, at 2.45.

Institute of the Motor Industry Prince Michael of Kent, President of the Institute of the Motor Industry, yesterday opened the new Prince Michael Conference Centre at Fanshaws, Hertfordshire, the headquarters of the

#### Birthdays today

Miss Svetlana Beriozova, ballerina, 64; Sir Mervyn Brown, diplomat, 73: Professor T.E. Burlin, former Rector, Westminster University, 65; Mr Frank J. Davies, chairman, Health and Safety Commission, 65; Sir Seymour Egerton, former chairman. Courts and Company, \$1; Mr Brian Glanville, author and journalist, 65; Vice-Admiral Sir Alan Grose, 59; Professor Richard Hoggart, former Warden, Goldsmiths' Coll-78: Mrs Catherine Hug former Principal, Somerville Coll- judge, 72.

### **Anniversaries**

BIRTHS: Horace Walpole, 4th Earl of Orford, writer, London, 1717; Sir Alan (A.P.) Herbert, writer and politician, Elstead, Surrey, 1890; F. Scott Fitzgerald, novelist, St Paul, Minnesota, 1896; Howard Walter Florey, Baron Florey, pathologist, creator of penicillin therapy, Nobel leureate 1945, Adelaide, 1898; Konstantin Chernenko, General Secretary of the Soviet Community Party 1984

ege, Oxford, 63; Mr Robert Jackson, MP, 50; Sir Robin Kinahan, former Lord-Lieutenant of the County Borough of Belfast, 80: Sir David Lane, former MP, 74; Professor G.P. McNicol, former Vice-Chancellor, Aberdeen

University, 67. Professor Bernard Nevill, designer. 62: Mr Anthony Newley, actor and singer, 65; Mr John Rutter, composer and conductor, 51: Mr L. Urquhart, former chairman, Burmah Castroi, 61; Sir Jean-

#### 85, Bolshaya Tes, Central Siberia.

DEATHS: Paracelsus, physician, Salzburg, 1541; Niels Finsen, physician, Nobel laureate 1903, Copenhagen, 1904; Melanie Klein, psychoanalyst, London, 1960. The St Leger horse race was run for the first time, Doncaster, 1776. Private Lives by Noël Coward was first performed in London starring Coward and Gertrude Lawrence, 1930.



Former "Land Girls" at the Imperial War Museum yesterday to launch the book They Fought in the Fields. From left, "Johnnie" Luxton, Peg Newman, Stella Wright, Doreen Rapley, Dinah Pengilly and, half-hidden, Betty Lee

# Story of Land Girls' war is told at last

By JOHN YOUNG

SOME 60 sprightly and infectiously cheerful elderly women gathered in London yesterday to mark the publication of a new book about the wartime Women's Land Army. They were among the survivors of more than 200,000 "Land Girls" whose efforts helped to save the nation from starvation between 1940 and 1945 but who, almost alone among those who contributed to the war effort, have never received official recognition.

Mostly still in their teens, they left their urban homes for primitive accommodation on remote farms, where they were expected to perform hard manual labour for long hours and where they faced initial prejudice and hostility. As well as reclaiming thousands of derelict acres to cultivate food, they also had to tend livestock, plough fields, harvest crops and drive and maintain tractors and other machinery with virtually no

Although their success played a vital part in Britain's ultimate victory, they received neither medals nor gratuities. Nicola Tyrer, author of They Fought In The Fields, said at yesterday's launch at the Imperial War Museum that she had been amazed to discover that half a century later their story had never been written.

Marian Nicolson, who worked on farms in Kent, was part of a four-woman delegation which met Winston Churchill

Simon Cadell, the actor best

known for his role as the holiday

camp manager in the television

comedy Hi-De-Hi, has left £134,124 net to his wife Becky. Cadell, of Brunswick Farm, Hi-De-Hi, has left

Framilington, Suffolk, died in March, after a two-and-e-half-year

Eric Charles Oliphant Jewesbury,

medical practitioner, of London NWS, left estate valued at

NWS, left estate valued at E2.258.840 net. He left £20.000 to the Warden of the St Bartholomew's and the London School of Medicina and Dentistry. London, to be used for cultural, recreational, or social amentities of the junior medical staff: £12,000 to the President of the Mess of North Middlesex Hospital, Edmonton, London for junior medical staff: £5,000 to the trustees of the Savile Endowment Fund. The rest of his estate to be equally shared between:

battle against lymph cancer.

and Anthony Eden at the House of Commons in 1946 to ask for a gratuity to be paid to Land Army veterans. But Churchill refused them; her sense of grievance was reawakened a few months ago when she received a newspaper cutting from Australia reporting that all former members of the Australian Land Army were to be given medals. "They were thousands of miles away from the war and didn't have to go through the

bombing," said Mrs Nicolson. Elizabeth "Johnnie" Luxton joined in February 1942 and remembered that on the first morning on a farm near Honiton, Devon, she and her fellow workers had to break the ice on a water trough to wash. "I had been a pools clerk in Liverpool and had absolutely no experience or training," she recalled.

"Our first job was to clear the common to grow potatoes which were all handplanted because there were no machines. After six months I moved to Crediton where I learnt to thatch com ricks, prune apple trees and drive a tractor although I was given no lessons. My favourite job was ploughing with all the birds flying behind the tractor."

Mrs Luxton said she had hoped to join the Wrens since her father had spent 40 years at sea in the Royal Navy and the Merchant Navy. The first letter she received from home was to inform her that her brother, aged 25, had been killed with the British Army in Libya.

Lady Deedes, wife of the former Editor of The Daily Telegraph, joined

Latest wills

Maureen Elizabeth Jane Gaskell.

of Dinas Powis, South Glamor-

gan, left estate valued at £995.583

John Kent Ridler, of Wootton

John Kent Ridler, of Wootton Courtenay, Minehead, Somerset, left estate valued at £1,185,001 net. He left prints, paintings, books and papers to remain on loan to Somerset Record Office, Devon Record Office, Lynton Museum: £5,000 to Setworthy PCC; £3,000 to Brompton Regis and Wootton Courtenay PCC; £2,000 to Exton and Luccombe PCC; £2,000 to Exton and Utigage Hail; £500 to the Exton and Woodton Courtenay Village Hails; £500 to the Exton and Woodton Courtenay Village Hails; £500 to the Exton and Woodton Courtenay Village Hails; £500 to the Exton and Woodton Courtenay Village Hails; £500 to the Stongeryalion Trust; £1,000 tech to West Somerset Archaeological and Natural History Society. Friends of Musgrove Park Hospital, Taunion, Association of Boys: Clubs, and four other charities; £5,000 each to 12 other charities.

the Land Army the day after the war broke out. There were no tractors on the farm where she worked in North Yorkshire and the heavy work was performed by horses. She also had to milk and feed the cows. learn to stack corn and hay and work the thresher at harvest time. She met her husband in 1942 when he was stationed in a nearby village and she went over to ask for scraps from the mess to feed her pigs.

Jean Proctor, who started the National Land Girls Association 32 years ago, said it began when she asked a few former friends round to tea. Nearly 100 people turned up and she was besieged by sacks of mail asking for a reunion to be

organised The first took place in 1969 at the Royal Albert Hall and was attended by more than 5,000 people. In recent years there have been regular annual reunions; in many areas the Royal British Legion has taken the association under its wing and last year members were allowed to march in VE-Day and VJ-Day parades.

Mrs Tyrer said that, while researching for her book, she found herself torn between admiration and indignation at the treatment that the former Land Girls had received. But she found one ally at least in Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, who writes in a foreword to the book: "No matter the weather, in snow, rain, wind or sun, women all over the country worked tirelessly ... their unsparing efforts earned our gratitude."

Weymouth, Dorset, left estate val-

ued at £1,014,249 net. He left £60,000 to St Burnabas Society, of Oxford: £5,000 to the Patient Calentin Association: £1,000

British Diabetic Association; El.,000 to the Plymouth Roman Catholic Diocesan Trusness (for Weymouth): L5,000 to Plymouth Roman Catholic Diocesan Trusness for St Charles's Roman Catholic Church. Wyke Regis. Weymouth; El.,000 to the Parish of Holy Trinity and St Andrew Ashe, Basingstoke.

Sir Roger Birch was the guest of honour at a dinner of the Royal Air Force Club Dining Society held

last night at the 128 Piccadilly. Wing-Commander W.A. Beau-

mont presided and Flight-Lieuten-ant L.E.H. Williams also spoke.

Dinner

Royal Air Force Club

#### (Southwark). The Rev David Murdoch, Rector.

Church news

Appointment The Rev Peter Jerome Marshall, Canon Residentiary, Ripon Cathedral, and Director of Training, Riport Diocese, to be Dean of Worcester in succession to the Very Rev Robert Jeffery, on his appoint ment as a Residentiary Canon of the Cathedral Church of Christ,

The Rev Philip Lamb, Rector, Sidbury group (Hereford): to be Rector, St Dominic, Landulph and St Mellion w Pillaton (Truro).

The Rev Clive Laws, permission to officiate, diocese Bath and Wells, and formerly Rector, Pendine, Egiwyn, Marros and Lianmilloe (St David's): to be Senior Assistant Priest, Portishead (Bath and

The Rev Ann Leonard, Assistant Curate, St Cuthbert, Copnor: to be Assistant Curate, Fartington, and Rural Dean's Assistant for the desirery of Portsmouth (Ports-

mouth The Rev Anthony Lindsay, Assistant Priest, Rainham w Wennington: to be Rector, Quendon w Rickling and Wicken Bonhunt and Widdington (Cheimsford). The Ven Trevor McCabe, Archdeacon of Cornwall: to be also

Chairman of the Cornwall College of Preachers (Truro). All Saints, Mickleover, and latterly seconded to the Walbrook Epiphany Team Ministry: now Curate. Charlesworth w Gamesley, and Dinting Vale (Derby. The Rev Andrew Mannings, Cu-

rate, Sale St Anne: to be Curate, Timperley (Chester). The Rev Simon Marsh, Vicar, Macclesfield St Paul: to be Vicar, Ringway (Chester). The Rev Peter Maurice, Vicar, Holy Trinity, Rotherhithe to be

Shirland: now also Diocesan (Derby).

The Rev Philip O'Reilly, Assistant Curate, St John the Divine w St Francis, Selsdon (Southwark): to be Team Vicar, Staveley and Barrow Hill Team Ministry

The Rev Tom Owen, Vicar, Latchford St James: now also Rural Dean of Great Budworth 汉。 亿

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The Rev John Paxton, Team Vicar. Southampton City Centre Parish and a member of South Hampshire Industrial Mission Team (Winchester): to be Senior Chaplain of the South London Industrial Mission, and Rector. Christ Church, Southwark (Southwark). The Rev David Plan, Chaplain. CSMV, Wantage, and licensed to officiate generally in the diocese Oxford: to be NSM Assistant

Curate, Blewbury, Hagbourne and Upton, same diocese. The Rev Christine Polhill, Assistant Curate, Ardeley, Cottered w Broadfield and Throcking: Weston: to be Priest-in-charge, Ardeley: Cottered w Broadfield and Throcking (St Albans). The Rev Peter Potter, Priest-in-

charge, North Bradley, Southwick and Herwood (Salisbury): to be Vicar, Sale St Anne (Chester). Canon Alan Poulter, Vicar, Oxton and Rural Dean of Birkenhead: to be Rector. Chester Team Ministry (Chester).

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The Portland Hospital, to Amy and Chuck, a joyus occasion on the birth of their first child a son, Matthew Bots

September 20th, to Alison and Simon, a son, Charles Lawrence, weighing 71be 13% oz, a brother for William Alexander.

EVANS - On Sunday 4th August 1990 - 0111 - to Helke and Jerry, a son, Chris-tian Juvemy George Hallam, weighed Sibs 14 or.

HIMCKLEY - On September 17th, to Varena (née Moging) and Matthew, a daughter, Georgina Maria. MACLEAR - On September 19th, to Sarah (née Thompson) and Jamie, a son, Alexander Fitzroy Micoles. MOBERTS - On 19th September at St. Pater's Hospital, Chertsoy, to Sandra (ase Hall) and Mark, a son, Stanley George, a precious brother for Mancy Clairs.

September 20th at the Forthard Hospital to Thomas, and Thomas, and Thomas, for Thomas, and pital, to Jaze and Guy, a

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AGUS - Dom (Joseph) Denis, Monk of Downside Abbey, and Cathedral Frior of Coventry, died at Downside on Monday, 23rd September. Funeral at Downside at 2.30pm on Saturday, 28th

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pawwines - Robin, aged 45, on September 19th, of Cancer. Devoted husband of Heather, father of Lucy and Entle, son of Barbara and Colyear, brother to Christopher, Rowan and Bryony. Funeral at Long Emborough on September 26th at 3 pm. Donations to the Frank Hills ward at the Caurchill Hospital, Oxford.

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GOLDSHITH - Jean Margaret (née Walker), beloved mother of Dayld, Robert, Eleanor and Srephen, died pascetully at home on Friday 20th September. Cramation to be feld on Friday 27th September at 3.30pm at Colders Gasem Cramatorium, Ecop Lane, London KWill-Family flowers only, donations to Save The Children Fund.

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JOWETT - Andrew Waring. Surgeon. On Satuiday 21st September, 1996. In London. KENNEDY - On September KEMMEDY - On September 21st, Geoffrey Fenrer, aged 87, peacefully at home. Beloved husband of Daphse and much loved father of Marina, Tessa, Alexander, Caroline, Christopher and Anthony, Punezal Service at St. Mary's Church, Bramshort, Liphook, Hants, 12.00 Midday, Thursday, September Zöth. Private cremation later. Family flowers only but domitions if desired to "Friends of Grayshott Surgery". Ig

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LETCHER - Peacefully on September 23rd 1996 at Georgian House Residential Home, Torquay, Norah Winefred, aged 89. Beloved wife of the late Reginald Truscott Letcher, and dear

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Peter and brother of Ted.
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WALUS - Arthur james, peacefully at home on 22nd September. Beloved husband of Oilve, father of john, Markand Island Salar and loving grandinther to their families. Funeral Service Monday 30th September, Randalls Park Crematorium, Leatherhead, 11.30am. Family flowers only please. THANKSGIVING SERVICES

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## DOROTHY LAMOUR

Dorothy Lamour, film actress, died in Hollywood yesterday aged 81. She was born on December 10, 1914.

orothy Lamour delighted filmgoers of the 1930s and 1940s in her roles as a South Seas siren who, with raven hair and an Forthcomin exoric flower slipped behind her ear, appeared on screen swathed only in a sarong. She is best remembered as the foil to Bob Hope and Bing Croshy in the series of Road comedies which, starting with The Road to Singapore before the war. united the three actors into one of the most successful teams in film history.

Slim of stature and with dark, tranquil eyes and a sweetly mellow voice, she enjoyed for many years a reputation as one of Hollywood's most glamorous leading ladies.

Lamour was a limited actress, more effective as a comedienne and singer than in straight drama. But she knew her limitations and vivaciously lampooned the skimpily dressed roles in which she became typecast. She was first invited to wear the sarong one and a half yards of tropical printed cotton wound around her body — on her film debut in The Jungle Princess.

Though she protested that her hips were too big, her shoulders too narrow and her toes too long, she captured the imagination of all who saw her. Indeed, Lamour did for the sarong what Brigitte Bardot was to do for the bikini a decade later. "I made 60 motion pictures and only wore the sarong in about six." Lamour said, "but it became a

kind of trademark." Dorothy Lamour was born Mary Leta Dorothy Kaumeyer in New Orleans. The sultry beauty that was to make her one of the most popular actresses in Hollywood was apparent from an early age and at 17 she won the Miss Orleans contest. Though she worked for a while as a lift operator at the Marshall Field store in Chicago, she stron went on to become a dance hand and radio singer, with her own show on NBC.

in 1936 she went to Hollywood, under contract to Paramount and, after launching her career with The Jungle Princess (1936), she went on to appear in films with Carole Lombard and Jack Benny. In 1937 she took the female lead in John Ford's island melodrama The Hurricane. It was her first chance to work with a leading Hollywood director, though she had little to do but look decurative and play second fiddle to a spectacular studio-created storm.

The Road series was launched in 1940 with Road to Singapore. The success of the films was due to the natural chemistry of the three leads and a slapstick humour in which many of the wisecracks were spontaneous. The formula was essentially the same, an exotic foreign setting with Hope and Crosby competing for Lamour's affections and Hope being always the loser. With the comedy becoming steadily more crazy, later Road films took the trio as far afield as Zanzibar, Morocco, Rio, Bali and even Utopia.

Lamour also appeared with Hope and Crosby separately, and made a number of minor musicals. But her ventures as a straight actress were less successful and her limited reperroire shortened her career.

After playing a circus artiste in Cecil B. De Mille's The Greatest Show on Earth (1952) and making what was intended to be the last of the Road pictures, Road to Bali (1952), she virtually retired from films

She did not make any new movies for nearly ten years during which time she appeared in occasional cabaret just one song to sing. She



The Road to Morocco: the sultry Lamour as the perennial foil to Bob Hope and Bing Crosby

acts and on television, meanwhile bringing up the two sons of her second marriage at home. But she was lured back in front of the cameras for the filming of the Road to Hong Kong (1962). Since Lamour was by this time approaching 50, the female lead went to Joan Collins and Lamour at first refused to appear, insulted that she was to be given only four lines to speak and

Otto Luening, American composer, died in New York on September 2

aged 96. He was born on

June 15, 1900.

ALONG with his better-

known contemporaties aaron

Copland, Roger Sessions, George Antheil and Henry Cowell, the composer Otto

Luening helped to develop a

distinctively American strain

of 20th-century music. But

though he wrote more than

350 pieces in a wide variety of

styles, it is probably for his

pioneering role in the develop-ment of electronic music that

he will chiefly be remembered.

born composer Vladimir Ussachevsky, Luening is cred-

ited with presenting the first American concert of music

Together with the Russian-

accepted the part only when it had been especially extended

In 1963 she worked for John Ford again on Donovan's Reef, yet another South Seas adventure, with John Wayne and Lee Marvin. She looked as good as ever but it was little more than a guest appearance. By this time she was turning more and more to the stage. Her most successful venture was playing Dolly Levi in a

using tape or electronics, on

October 28, 1952, at the Muse-

um of Modern Art in New

York. The works performed on that occasion, in a pro-gramme conducted by Leo-pold Stokowski, included Us-

and Luening's own engaging Fantasy in Space, which was

based on the sounds of the

flute (he himself had trained

Luening went on to write,

either alone or with Ussachev-

sky, more than 20 experimen-

tal works for synthesizer and

tape, sometimes in combina-

tion with acoustic instru-

ments. This led in 1960 to the

formal foundation of the Co-

lumbia-Princeton Electronic

Music Centre, the first facility of its kind in the United States

Over the next 15 years

as a flautist).

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OTTO LUENING

touring production of the musical Hello Dolly. In less than a year she covered 28,000 miles and played in 91 cities.

She also appeared in Noël Coward's Fallen Angels and revivals of Pal Joey, Can Can and Anything Goes. She was also frequently seen on American television doing guest shots in The Love Boat, Murder, She Wrote, and a few Bob Hope specials. Still slender and elegant even in old age,

and for many years the most

of Luening's electronic experi-

ments has tended to overshad-

ow his other achievements. He

was an accomplished and

onen original composer and

whatever the medium, his

interest was always in new

musical possibilities, rather

than in technology for its own

sake. In fact he reverted, in the late 1960s, to writing mainly

for conventional instruments,

and in his 1980 autobiogra-

phy, The Odyssey of an Ameri-

can Composer, he devoted

only a single chapter to his

work with electronics. His

long career was as varied as

born in Milwaukee. His moth-

er was a singer, his father a

conductor, pianist and teacher. Of German descent, the

family left America in 1912 for Munich, where Luening stud-

ied at the Staatliche Hoch-

schule für Musik and where,

at the age of 16, he made his

In 1917 the family moved to

Zurich. There Luening contin-

ued his studies, while playing

the flute at the opera and in

the Tonhalle Orchestra under

Richard Strauss and Arthur

Nikisch; he also worked for a

time as an actor and stage

debut as a flautist.

his works are eclectic. Otto Clarence Luening was

The historical significance

important.

she ran a successful cosmetics company in California. Her autobiography. My Side of the Road, appeared in

1980. Her first marriage to the bandleader Herbie Kaye was dissolved in 1939. In 1943 she married William Ross Howard, a millionaire businessman, and they had two sons. Howard, who became her

manager, died in 1978. She is survive by her two sons.

#### During the following two decades he held teaching posts at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, New York, where he was executive director of the opera depart-

ment and conductor of the Company; at the University of Arizona; and at Bennington College in Vermont. In 1944 he moved to Columbia University, where he remained until At Columbia he played a key role in the development of

modern American opera, overseeing the performance of some 40 new works and himself conducting such important premieres as those of Gian Carlo Menotti's The Medium and Virgil Thomson's The Mother of Us All. His own sole venture into operatic composition, Evangeline, based on a poem by Longfellow and originally written in 1930-32, was revised

and premiered there in 1948. Approachable and undogmatic both in his music and in person, Luening did much to further the cause of new music in America. He helped to found the American Composers Alliance, the American Music Centre and the record label Composers Recordings inc, still an important outlet

for contemporary music. As a teacher he played a part in the careers of composers as diverse as John Kander. who wrote the music for Cabaret, and John Corigliano, whose The Ghosts of Versailles is one of the most successful operas of recent years.

A striking, upright figure, with an impressive handlebar In 1920 Luening returned to moustache, Luening was still America, settling first in Chiteaching part-time at the Juliard School in his midcago, where he conducted the American Grand Opera Company, played chamber music, seventies, and he continued to accompanied silent films, arcompose until well into his ranged hymns for export to nineties. He is survived by his second wife, Catherine.

## JOHN GORMAN

Crown Court recorder and deputy High Court judge, died on August 23 aged 69. He was born on June 29, 1927.

JOHN GORMAN played a prominent role in the trial that followed the murder 18 years ago of the newspaper boy Carl Bridgewater, the repercus-sions of which are still being felt today. He defended Par-rick Molloy, whose signed confession to being at the scene of the crime remains central to the continuing controversy.

Molloy, who was jailed for ten years for manslaughter, died in prison in 1981. Eight vears later, however, the three other men given life sentences for murder appealed against their convictions - citing Gorman's conduct of the defence for Molloy. They tried to claim that he had ignored his client's instructions by failing to challenge the validity of the "confession".

The three men lost their appeal and Gorman was completely exonerated in court but not until after he had had to give lengthy evidence and be closely cross-examined by their counsel.

A deeply conscientious man who was known for his meticulous research, Gorman was profoundly upset by the experience. He died, moreover, with the knowledge that a second appeal was being pre-pared and that he could be required to give further evidence.

John Peter Gorman, the son of a successful Edinburgh accountant (and devout Roman Catholic), was head boy at Stonyhurst College before being commissioned into the Royal Artillery at the end of the Second World War. On being demobilised three years later, he read Mods and Greats at Balliol College, Oxford, before being called to the Bar by the Inner Temple in

1953. Gorman practised on the Midlands and Oxford Circuit, operating from chambers in Birmingham and concentrating on civil cases in his early years. On moving to London after talking silk in 1974, however, he switched to the Criminal Bar.

Deputy chairman of Northamptonshire Quarter Sessions, 1970-71, he became a recorder of the Crown Court after the 1972 reorganisation of the judiciary. He also served as deputy chairman, then chairman, of the Agricultural Lands Tribunal in the East Midlands for a total of ten

He was elected head of his chambers in 1977 and a bench-

er of the Inner Temple in 1983. In addition, he served from time to time as a deputy judge in the High Court, which renewed his contact with the civil law.

As a barrister Gorman appeared in some of the most publicised trials of his time. Among them was that following the death of Jasmine Beckford II years ago, in which he defended her mother Beverley Lorrington, who was subsequently jailed for 18 months on two charges of wilful neglect.

In recent years he took on a number of serious fraud cases. figures which had been perhaps inherited from his lather He enjoyed a high success rate at the Bar, impressing juries not by any displays of histrionies but by his courtesy towards witnesses and his complete mastery of his briefs.

As a pupil master he stressed to young barristers the central importance of "reconnaissance" and planning - preferably carried out over large malt whisky, chosen after careful deliberation and consultation of the Malt Whisky Almanac". His kindness and politeness in court always paid dividends. After giving evidence and before collapsing with a heart attack, a witness anxiously inquired on one famous occasion: "Did l do all right for you, Mr Gorman?"

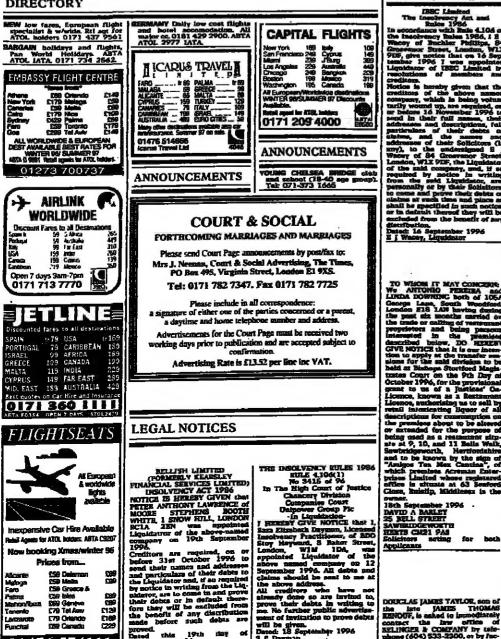
He sometimes won over the jury by his humour. Throughout one case in which he appeared for the prosecution on a particularly cold day, he persistently referred to the defendants as "the three brass monkeys". He was later presented with a statuette of three brass monkeys by fellow barristers.

Out of court, Gorman was a private, self-questioning man who always worked prodi-giously hard. His recreations included painting and photog-raphy, sailing, golf and walk-ing — around Pembrokeshire, in the Lake District and along the Pennines.

He loved music, especially chamber music, and could play the piano and the violin. He also adored travelling for the sake of it, but had spent much of the last three years restoring the house which he had bought in the Derbyshire Dales. A restless, active man. he rarely, if ever, sat down

His first wife Avril died in 1978 after a long battle against cancer, John Gorman, who died after a stroke only four months after retiring from the Bar, is survived by his second wife Pat, herself a barrister, and by three daughters and a son from his first marriage.





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#### POISON DANGER FROM **CAR EXHAUSTS**

Dr. H. A. des Voeux, in his presidential address at the fourth conference of the National Smoke Abatement Society at Newcastle-on-Tyne yesterday, drew atten to some dangers caused by carbon monoxide from the exhausts of motor-cars.
"It is not generally known," he said, "that an

ordinary car running at about 30 miles an hour emits one cubic foot of this deadly gas per minute. Every motor-car owner knows how unsafe it is to allow the engine of a car to be running with the door of a garage closed; but what is unknown is what danger there is in large garages where many cars are started within a short time of one another. I should be grateful if some Medical Officer of Health would cause systematic examinations to be made of the blood of those whose occupation confines them to garages.

"Another qustion which urgently needs

answering is. Is there such a thing as chronic carbon-monoxide poisoning? What is the effect on still days of this gas on occupants of cars when in a long line of traffic? So far none has been traced, but I have a strong suspicion that cases such as one I will quote are not so uncommon as is generally supposed."

#### ON THIS DAY

# September 24, 1932

Nothing new about warnings on the effect of breathing the fumes from car exhausts. More than 60 years ago the National Smoke Abatement Society was suggesting that, on still days, drivers caught in traffic jams were liable to carbon monoxide poisoning.

Dr. des Voeux then told of a man of his acquaintance who collapsed after driving, on a cold day in a closed car with all windows but one closed, behind a lorry which was emitting excessive exhaust furnes in a narrow lane. He became nearly unconscious. His blood showed the usual signs of carbon-monoxide poisoning. but had not the man's chauffeur suffered the same evening from violent headache the driver's illness would have been considered an ordinary attack of syncope or faintness, for which he was actually treated.

The elimination of the smoke nuisance would mean the disappearance, or at any rate the greater infrequency, of such diseases as heart disease and bronchitis, as well as a great saving in the cost of living through the removal of the principal cause of dirt.

To overcome the difficulty arising from the large number of authorities which are concerned with the pollution of the air, and from the effect of the smoke of one locality upon another, Dr. des Voeux suggested the formation of regional statutory committees.

#### **AUSTRALIAN CRICKETERS** SYDNEY, SEPT. 23

The Cricket Board of Control decided to-day not to select for the coming Test Matches any cricketer who contributes to the Press comments on the play in any first-class match or on the prospects of players for selection. The Board exempts cricketers who are professional journalists, but the exemption does not cover D. G. Bradman, W. M. Woodfull, W. H. Ponsford, C. V. Grimmett or W. H. Oldfield, who have all been contributors to the Press.

Bradman has a current contract with the Sun. He stated to-day that he intends to fulfil his contract. Therefore, if the Board has said its last word he will not be available for the Test Matches. The Sun states that it will not stand unreasonably in the way of Bradman's playing in the Test Matches.

Scottish market offering better value for money



THE team selection of the weekly winner of Interactive Team Football provides a timely reminder that it is still possible to select home-grown players and do well in the game. Mr D. Milton, a Sky entrant, scored 42 points last week, with such cosmopolitan names as Scott, Newsome and Coton in his team.

The most successful players in ITF this season have all been astute buyers in the Scottish market. The addition of Scottish League premierdivision players to ITF has brought in a number of cheaper players who are often much better value than their English counterparts. Mr Milton has three from Scotland in his team, for example.

The overall race for £50,000 is still headed by Mr J. Staskiewicz, of the Isle of Man, who is nine points clear. Mr Milton's team is:

Full backs M Bowen (West Ham) M Scott (Sunderland) Central defenders

A Coton (Sunderland)

Goalkeeper

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J Cruyff (Manchester Utd) G Vialli (Chelsea) I Wright (Arsenal)

J Barnes (Liverpool)

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It is early days, but if your team could be doing better, with your players lacking form and fitness, you can move into the transfer market to improve your fortunes. You can use the ITF transfer

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change up to two players each week and to adjust your team if one of your players is actually transferred out of the FA Carling Premiership or Bell's Scottish League premier

You can make transfers only by telephone. Using a Touch-tone (DTMF) telephone (most push-button telephones with a \* and a hash key are Touch-tone), call the 0891 866 968 line during the times given. From outside the United Kingdom, you must call 0044 990 200 668.

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you must ensure that the team does not contain more than two individuals (two players or one player and a manager) If you are lagging behind the leading team selectors, the transfer system will be an

☐ All Interactive Team Fool ball transfer queries should be directed to 0171-757 7016. All other inquiries can be

chase for the prizes - the overall £50,000, monthly E1,000 or weekly £250.



Patrik Berger, left, has scored four goals in his first two matches for Liverpool. Should he be in your ITF team?

#### ENTER TIMES ITF BY TELEPHONE THERE ARE BIG PRIZES TO BE WON **EVERY WEEK AND EVERY MONTH**

The Manager of the Week and the Manager of the Month are up for grabs from now until the end of the season. You could be a winner of either by entering a team today. The Manager of the Week or Month can be won by any team no matter where it is in the league, the prize for the Manager of the Week or Month simply goes to the person whose

team scores the highest points in any one week or month. The prize for the Manager of the Week is £250 cash, plus a £250 Sports Gift Voucher for an amateur football team in your community - as nominated by you. The Manager of the Month will receive £1,000 cash.

You can still be a big winner in ITF. To enter today, just follow the instructions below. Enter ITF by phone on 0891 405 011

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number and your chosen team as no postal notification will be sent. 0891 calls cost 39p per minute cheap rate and 49p per minute at all other times. Your call will cost approximately double if made from a pay phone. In the event of there being more than one Manager of the Week or Month, the winner will be chosen at random. All ITF rules apply, a

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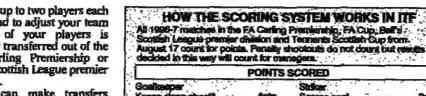
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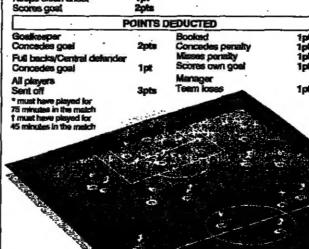
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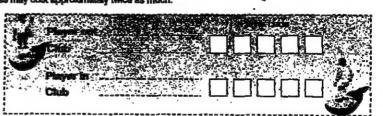
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The transfer week runs from 00.01 on Tuseday to midnight the following Monday. Transfers made before noon each day will become effective immediately. Transfers made after noon will become effective for matches played after noon on the following day.

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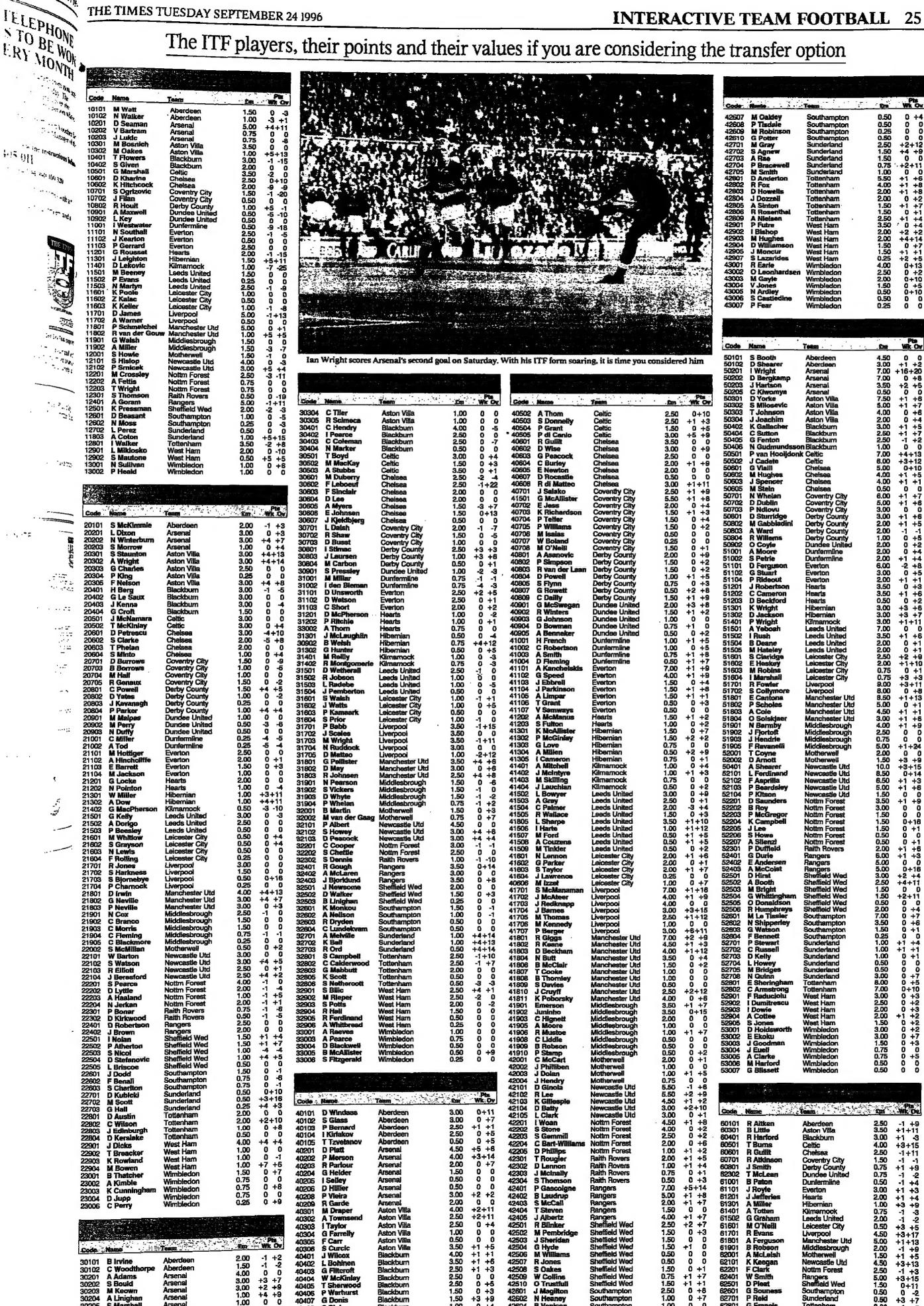
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# THE TIMES TODAY

#### NEWS

#### IRA bomb campaign foiled

■ IRA plans to devastate London with massive lorry bombs were foiled when armed police uncovered ten tons of explosive during raids in which one suspected terrorist was shot dead and five others arrested.

The explosives, two lorries, arms and other bomb-making materials were found in a north London storage unit which could have been used as a "one-stop shop" to equip IRA units for a variety of attacks in the run-up to the general election. The first attack could have been planned for today ..... Pages 1, 2,3

#### Success for MI5-police co-operation

■ One of the biggest joint police and MI5 mainland operations, which led to the arrest of suspects and the discovery of 10 tonnes of explosives, began after a vital piece of intelligence was uncovered by the authorities..... .... Page 2

#### Clarke crisis

Relations between Kenneth Clarke and John Major were under strain as right-wing pressure for the Chancellor's dismissal intensified... . Pages 1, 12

#### Headmaster attack

A 15-year-old boy "acting with a mixture of bravado and adrenalin" stabbed the headmaster, Philip Lawrence, to death outside his school gates, the Old Bailey was told ...

#### E for Effort

The last of the Inspector Morse mysteries was unravelled in a London bookshop. The atmosphere was Electric because that initial was all that was previously known about inspector Morse's Christian name... .... Page 6

#### Church code

Clergy who believe that ordination renders them immune to sexual temptation have been issued with a new code of conduct by the Church of England .....Page 7

#### Cracker out-thought

The days of the real-life Crackers are numbered, academics and semior police officers were told. Police forces are fast developing their own versions...... Page 9

#### Nurses dispute

NHS managers clashed with nurses' leaders as it emerged that more than nine out of ten health service trusts have still not agreed a salary award.......Page 10

#### Jobs regulation

An overhaul of employment law to prevent new recruits to small firms from making unfair dismissal claims was proposed by the Government. The scheme was part of a package from the "deregulation task force"...... Page 12

#### Lib-Dem anger

Liberal Democrat tensions over links with Labour boiled to the surface when a senior peer angered activists by urging supporters to vote tactically for Labour in

Page 13 Russian foreboding With President Yeltsin again confined to hospital a sense of fore-

boding has gripped Russia that

"the noblemen" may be

#### .. Page 14 Finnish revelations

Nearly a century after women in Finland broke new ground by being the first in Europe to vote. the female Speaker of parliament has shattered a new barrier with a highly explicit book about her

#### Perot goes to law Ross Perot started a law suit to

stop next month's presidential debates unless he is allowed to participate ...

#### Bhutto exhaustion

Pakistan is exhausted by Benazir Bhutto. No elected leader has been more unpopular since the state was founded in 1947Page 17

#### What Thatcher thought of Major

■ Margaret Thatcher became disillusioned with John Major within three weeks of his becoming Prime Minister. And two and a half years later she suggested that the Tory party should no longer call itself "Conservative". The revelations are in George Urban's book Diplomacy and Disillusion at the Court of Margaret Thatcher ...... Pages 1, 18



The Gulf of St. Tropez was transformed into "an immense bog" yesterday after violent storms. Holidaymakers were among those stranded

#### **SUSINESS**

Lloyd's: At least 50 Lloyd's names are to be pursued for more than El million each, in a dramatic hardening of attitude by authorities at the insurance market... ...Page 27

Gas: Serious computer and phone problems have led to another collapse in British Gas's national service network. Customers face a long wait if their central heating Page 27 breaks down...

Sainsbury: The British supermarket chain is further expanding its American operations at a cost of \$52 million... .. Page 27

Marketa: The FT-SE 100 fell 44.4 to 3919.7. Sterling's trade-weighted index remained unchanged at 86.1 after a rise from \$1.5550 to \$1.5568 and unchanged against the mark at DM2.3557.. .. Pa<del>ge</del> 30

#### SPORT

Rugby union: Will Carling, the former England captain, has been recalled to the national training squad along with Jeremy Guscott, the Bath centre ....

Cricket: Alan Lee reflects on the 1996 domestic season. Plus: all the statistics and the full first-class .... Page 47 averages ..... Gott: The European team suffered in the Solheim Cup, which was retained by the United States,

because of the decision taken two

years ago to increase the size of the

.... Page 50 Racing: Celeric, the progressive four-year-old, has been ruled out of the Melbourne Cup in November, in order that he might take on an ambitious cup campaign next .. Page 46

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#### ARTS

Toronto triumphs: A delightful new Irish film. Snakes and Ladders; plenty of famous actors trying to direct; and Debbie Reynolds's first major role for 25 years: these were the highlights of the Toronto Film Festival .... ....Page 43

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OPINION

If this is a secret that Mr Clarke

cannot keep, he can go. He would

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Morse the code With so much popularity and so much money at stake, we may not yet have seen the last bow of

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If your Church, your vocation, had come to represent no more than "cold logic", easily outshone by faulty human love, then you lost the plot long ago. Religion is not cold logic: it is a greater love or it is nothing at all ....

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The plan is to use a small part of the IMF's gold reserves, along with some other financial devices, to relieve the debts of 20 very poor developing countries which the IMF judges are making serious efforts to improve their economic management .. .. Page 20

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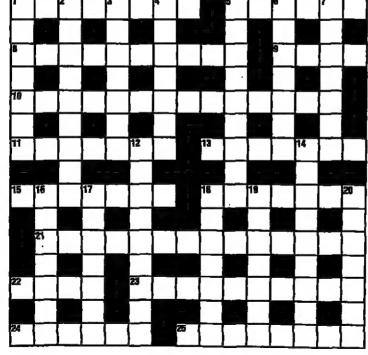
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- 5 Champ boxing in one Olympic venue (6).
- tionary way (10). 9 Note-book (4).
- 10 To resort I'd go, cheaply a.k.a. this? (7.7). 11 Communist given wrong backing
- heavens! (7). 13 That female ram, for example,
- sounded like a goat (7).
- 15 Place again providing setting for quiet break (7).
- 18 Regret having half-heartedly absorbed traditional wisdom (7).
- 21 The sort of tramp found adrift in
- the main (3.3.4.4). 22 Accepted choice of bridge partners
- (4).

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#### 23 Coast-to-coast race with large following (10).

- 24 1 am seen on ice as fish are, we
- 8 Famous rebel acted in revolu- 25 Dissident, perhaps, within the political establishment? (8).

- I Fellow taking a shot at snooker or
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- evil (9). 3 Assistant editor reportedly considers the passages below (7).
- 4 Pictures, say, a main road going over railway (7). 5 French girl's earned mark, taking
- English (9). 6 Sane Scots in charge, unable to
- settle down? (7). 7 Continue to fool around (5.2).
- 12 Know Oucen must conceal desire for warlord (9). 14 One takes succession of notes
- about quarantine (9). 16 The foreign sheep's tangled mass

Auntie broadcast (7).

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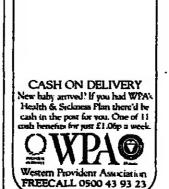
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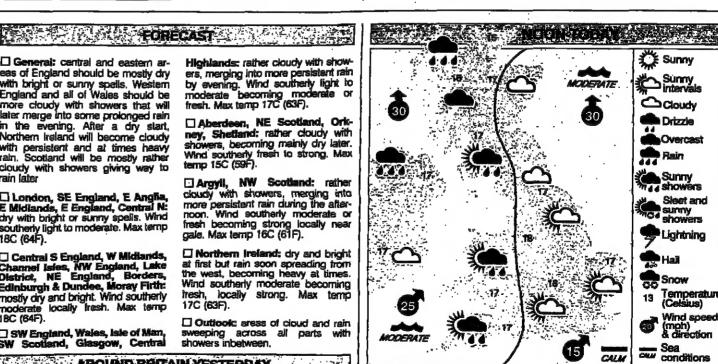
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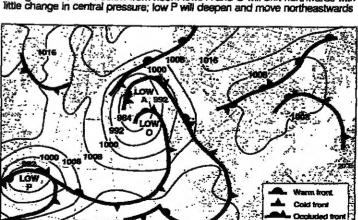
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The Greeks have opted for continuity, despite an aggressive conservative campaign against socialist corruption. The Prime Minister, Costas Simitis, won because of his message of austerity and his plentiful proclamations of Europeanism - El Mundo, Madrid

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